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CORRECTION: In the list of W.M.U. District Meeting Dates published in last week's issue of The Baptist Record, DISTRICT I should have been MAY 15th.

Pastor C. E. Patch reports that the mortgage on the Baldwin church building was last Sunday paid off and the notes burned. One addition by letter.

The Morton Baptist Church was host last week to the Scott County Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. Leighton Kelly of Morton taught the book, "This World's Goods."—H. D. Jordan.

Pastor R. K. Corder of Philadelphia had brother W. A. Bell of Parkway Church, Jackson, with him in a week's revival meeting. For several days the bad weather interfered, but before the week closed the attendance and interest reached a high mark. There were 24 additions to the church, of whom 18 came by baptism.

Next Sunday at Parkway Church, Jackson, the men representing the Baptist Brotherhood over the state will gather for an inspirational program at two o'clock in the afternoon. If the Brotherhood continue as they have been going for the past two years, they will vitalize the whole Baptist program in Mississippi.

Pastor R. A. Morris began his fourth year at Newton Sunday. Preached at eleven a. m. on "The Lord of Life." Mrs. McRaney of Mt. Olive at the piano accompanied her son Stewart and Perry Terrell in a violin duet. The high school band directed by Wayne Shoemaker gave a program of sacred music in the evening. House crowded at both hours. Expecting 200 men at Brotherhood meeting Friday night.

On Saturday April 27th Arthur A. Nelson, Senior student at Mississippi College, returned to his home church in Kosciusko for Ordination to the Gospel Ministry. The service was continued on Sunday afternoon at which time Dr. M. O. Patterson, of Clinton preached the ordination sermon. Rev. G. W. Smith of Sallis led in the special prayer. Pastor Holcomb in behalf of the home church presented brother Nelson with a beautiful Bible. Members of the Council were: Dr. M. O. Patterson, Rev. G. W. Smith, N. H. Roberts, B. McGee, R. J. Wood, Carnes Giles, H. H. Ward, and Rowe C. Holcomb. Brother Nelson pastors the Beulah Church in Choctaw County.

Fraternally,
Rowe C. Holcomb.

In certain quarters a short while back it was quite the fashion to try to discredit the Dies Committee of Congress that was investigating Unamerican Activities. Strange that some good Americans joined in the opposition to investigation. If there is nothing unamerican going on, let's find it out. And if there is let's do the same. Enough has been uncovered to make it evident that the work of the Committee is badly needed. And what has developed in other countries of under-cover activity by German agents, more than justifies a thorough investigation. Along with this effort to discredit the work of the Dies Committee is the effort to smear the Federal Bureau of Investigation, headed by Mr. Hoover. It is all of a piece, and appears to be done by enemies of our form of government.

BAPTIST RECORD CIRCULATION HIGHEST IN HISTORY

All Mississippi Baptists will be delighted to know that the circulation of the Baptist Record is now larger than ever before in its more than 100 years of publication. Last week's circulation was 19,231 and this week's circulation is

19,589

When Mississippi Baptists read in last week's Record that the circulation of THEIR OWN Baptist Record had gone beyond the 19,000 mark, no doubt they felt a thrill of joy. The same thing was true in the Record office. The larger the circulation the more office, detail and mailing work is required of those charged with those duties. We could not help noticing the happy gleam in the eyes of Mrs. C. S. Byrd of the mailing department, when she announced that the week's run was above 19,000. It meant more work for her, but the joy of a goal reached overcame any thought of more work.

The Baptist Record now has the largest circulation of any Southern Baptist state paper except Texas, though several have more Baptists than Mississippi. And based on the number of Baptists in each State, we have as large, if not the largest circulation of any Baptist state paper.

And who is responsible for this large circulation? No one, no dozen, no hundred people. The truth is that the credit belongs to many pastors, church organizations and large numbers of consecrated men and women all over Mississippi who know that the Record helps make better informed Baptists. And informed Baptists are better than uninformed ones.

Many good men and women have paid for the Record for others. Several pastors pay for the EVERY FAMILY plan themselves. To every one who has helped in any way, with 100% sincerity we say,

"THANK YOU"

And finally Baptists of Mississippi: 20,000 is not an impossible nor an unreasonable aim as our next goal. There are plenty of Baptists who should and could take the Record. There are many churches that would adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan, (over 400 have) if the pastor will lead them to do so. There are many other pastors who can get at least 50% of their resident families to subscribe.

Many pastors tell us that with a good list of Record readers in their church they find their members more responsive, more ready and more liberal.

LET'S GET THAT 20,000!

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The Sunday school at Crystal Springs has been awarded the A-1 penant by the Board in Nashville.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention reports total offerings for South-wide causes from all the states in April \$195,977.54. Of this \$101,345.41 came through the Cooperative Program; \$79,911.22 designated; and \$14,720.91 through the Hundred Thousand Club. Mississippi Baptists sent \$7,392.66. Of this \$2,366.75 was through the Cooperative Program; \$4,479.69 designated; and \$546.22 through the Hundred Thousand Club. Our state ranked tenth in the list.

Brookhaven W.M.S. will give a banquet to the Baptist boys and girls (of their church and others) graduating this year from the High School.

LUCIEN: Rev. Elton Barlow has been called as pastor at Lucien and New Salem in Franklin county. These in addition to McCall's Creek compose a full time field.

Evangelist Wm. S. Dixon, Dallas, Texas, has just closed some meetings in Kentucky. In the last one, at Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, there was the largest number of additions this church has seen in any revival meeting in twenty-three years. Capacity crowds greeted the evangelist and his heart-searching messages nightly.

Brother Earl Waldrop, a student in Mississippi College reports that Providence Church in Carroll county to which he preaches has grown from an afternoon appointment to two services on Sunday. This church was organized last August and is growing in grace and numbers. They are now building a house on Highway 82 west of Carrollton. The churches in this county are preparing an Educational Program for the summer which will awaken new missionary interest.

As pastor W. A. Bell was helping in a revival meeting in Philadelphia, the Editor had the privilege of supplying the pulpit of Parkway Church Jackson, Sunday morning and evening. It is a tonic to faith to see the growth of this fine church. Organized about twelve years ago; they have a Sunday School overflowing their building; the congregation at eleven o'clock filling the house. They dedicate this building Sunday which will serve as an Educational plant and immediately proceed to put up a good auditorium. They finance this program through the Sunday School last Sunday the offering was \$501.06.

Many Baptists in Mississippi remember a preacher who traveled a good deal about the state, and who had a special dislike for onions. He did not like to sit at the table on which onions were served. He has been known to decline to participate in a meal where onions were in the room. Now that is carrying one's personal peculiarities quite a long way. But we have known a Baptist who did not like some one article or a single remark in his Baptist paper. Not content with just passing it by, he must needs refuse everything else in the paper. Now there are people who like onions. Onions make some other things taste better. These people deserve some consideration. We try to serve people of many tastes. If there is something which you don't like, we still hope there are some other things that you do like.

We have found "Roughing It In The San Blas Islands" a most interesting book. It is written by Rev. J. V. Tinnin for several years pastor of Balboa Heights Baptist Church in the Panama Canal Zone. It is an account of a journey by sail boat through a group of islands belonging to the government of Panama. A visit to a little known tribe of Indians. The story is charmingly told and full of interesting personal incidents and human interest. The state of these children of nature, little changed by any contact with the outside world is delightfully described. There is included an insight into the work of a missionary couple, who live the life largely of the natives. The book has many illustrations that add to its charm and instructiveness. Also maps help you to locate this island group. The price of the book is \$1.00, to be had of the author, care of Baptist Message, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Sparks and Splinters

A million dollars was recently given by the Friedsam Foundation for religious education of Jewish youth in New York City.

Bethlehem, Montgomery County: Our Sunday school has been re-organized with J. W. Fisackerly as superintendent. All other officers were also re-elected.

Blue Mountain College's spring term for teachers opened this week with the largest enrollment in the history of the college, President Lawrence T. Lowrey announced today.

It is said that on the heels of the German invaders of Denmark came the German secret police who had a list of all the Jews in the country and their property, and the persecution of Jews began.

Pastor Robert Wesley Porter will have Bro. J. S. Riser of Blue Mountain to assist him in a revival meeting at Sledge during the week of May 26th through 31st. We solicit your prayers for a successful revival.—R.W.P.

Rev. Frank Marrs, former missionary to Mexico, died April 25 in Austin, Texas. He was a native of Texas, born in 1869, served as a missionary 35 years. His wife died less than a year ago.

News dispatches of last week are to the effect that the committee on interdenominational relations of the Methodist Conference recommended a resolution asking the recall of President Roosevelt "personal representative" to the Pope.

Pearl River County Churches will have a co-operative Loyalty Crusade May 20-24. The purpose is to hold a service in 18 churches in the county every evening from Monday to Friday inclusive. All the pastors are entering heartily into the plan, and they will be aided by a number of the State workers.

Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will be in America in June, attending the Northern and Southern Baptist Conventions, preaching in Atlanta, and the commencement address at Shorter College. He will also attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

The summer session of Blue Mountain College opens June 5, according to Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, president of the college and director of the summer school. It will be divided into two terms, the second one beginning July 11 and closing August 16. The reading laboratory institute directed by George W. Beswick runs from June 10 to 14.

Gulfport: Last Sunday night I was guest preacher for First Church at Gulfport. I used "Signs of Perilous Times" as a subject. I was ordained from that church and of course the service and its remembrance will always be most sacred to me. Dr. Henry Brookshire is doing a great work. He and his good wife are great leaders for the Master's kingdom.—Otis Ashworth.

Pastor E. N. Patterson has resigned at Pelahatchie to accept the care of Toulminville church in Mobile, Ala., a church with six hundred members and a great opportunity. There is a great Sunday school and good B. T. U., necessitating a new building at an early date. We are sincerely sorry to lose him from Mississippi where he has done splendid service, and wish for him the fulness of the Father's blessing in his new field to which he goes this week.

A good auto salesman and dealer says if ministers would learn to sell their religion like an auto salesman—never knock the other fellow's car, tell the redeeming features of his own, after really having faith in his own. The Pilgrims came because of religious oppression. Our country was founded on religious freedom. Our denomination is the most democratic of all religions. May we all pray that our country will be kept out of war. May God bless our president and his advisers. Give them wisdom and will-power to do and say the right thing always.—Mrs. L. C. Hollingsworth.

A HELPING HAND Mrs. W. G. Mize

Recently I walked through a lovely Southern garden, and observed the gardener as he made many perforations in the sandy drive-way. One of the party asked him, "What are you doing?" His reply was, "fertilizing the oak tree." We looked about and many yards away stood the lovely oak tree.

You who are many miles away from the Orphanage, may wonder at times what you may do for its support. You may "fertilize the oak tree" by nurturing these boys and girls. You may nurture them with your prayers, your interest, your love, and your financial aid.

Since Mother's Day is recognized as Orphanage Day by Mississippi Baptists, it behooves us now to make plans for the cash offering. As churches, organizations, groups and individuals throughout Mississippi make their contributions to the support of the Baptist Orphanage, it is in reality "fertilizing the oak tree." Just as the birds of the air find refuge within the branches and sing songs of appreciation, so do many boys and girls find this a haven for them, and sing songs of gratitude for its kind ministry. Throughout the years there will be many to rise up and call you blessed.

On April 24 the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions, given by the W. M. U. of the South had reached \$330,379.00, the largest ever.

Catholics never believe in the separation of Church and State except where Catholics are in the minority. Archbishop Spellman in a radio address recently ridiculed the idea.

The Miles Dampeer Memorial scholarship given annually at Mississippi College to the most prominent ministerial student has been awarded to Rev. D. L. Stennis. Congratulations.

Blue Mountain Breeze, student publication with Ellen McKinstry editor and Louise Haynie B. M. has again been awarded first honor rating by the National Scholastic Press Association.

The Philadelphia presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., with a constituency of 100,000, has protested against President Roosevelt's appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative to the Vatican.—Ex.

Rev. R. H. Falwell, Jr., a Kentuckian who is just finishing his work at the Louisville Seminary goes to South Carolina as B. S. U. secretary. His wife is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and of the W. M. U. Training School.

Rev. Otis Ashworth, pastor of the Baptist Church at Vancleave, conducted the baccalaureate service at Vancleave Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, Rev. P. O. Nix and Rev. H. E. Miller assisting. Miss Mildred Moody and Miss Anna Mae Murphy conducted the girls' choir.

In Manchuria there were 665 baptisms in our churches in the past year, 109 of them in Harbin. There were baptisms in all the 24 outstations, except two where for military reasons no pastor is permitted to go. Here there are candidates awaiting baptism.

I have just finished reading Dr. Roland Q. Leavell's latest book, "Saving America to Save the World." It has been my privilege to hear Dr. Leavell in two series of meetings in my own church and I think of him as a great herald of the Cross. He has given us a number of books, but in my judgment "Saving America to Save the World" is his best. There are single messages in it that are worth far more than the price of the book.—F. F. Brown, Knoxville.

On April 7 Columbus Avenue Baptist Church of Waco, Texas, concluded a revival meeting in which Dr. M. E. Dodd, Shreveport, preached from Tuesday of the first week throughout Thursday of the second week. The pastor, Dr. H. H. Hargrove, began and closed the meeting. Great crowds attended both morning and evening services throughout the meeting and the power of the messages was felt throughout the entire church life. There were 29 additions by baptism and 22 additions by letter.

WHY EVERY YOUNG PASTOR SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE MINISTERS' RETIREMENT PLAN

By B. F. Hasty, Field Secretary the Relief and Annuity Board of the S. B. C.

A few decades ago social security, as it is now known, was considered to be a minor part of civilization. Indeed it was frowned upon by many good people. Today, over sixty nations have already entered the social security field. And the present indications are to be relied upon, the problems of disability and age retirement, unless properly provided for, are going to be more disturbing in the future than has been the case in the past.

Just what advantages and benefits accrue to the young pastor who joins the Retirement Plan promptly?

1. First of all, if he participates promptly it links him up early in life with a definite and businesslike program designed to provide daily bread after all other regular income is cut off.

2. Second, if he joins promptly as soon as he takes up his first pastoral activities, it insures that his annuity shall not be reduced by delayed participation. In practically all social security plans, the payment of dues is calculated to cover the entire salary-drawing period of the members. By so doing the amount of monthly or quarterly dues is very small, and therefore easily paid. But if the pastor delays participation after he is eligible to join, his annuity or monthly income upon retirement will be reduced by the amount of dues that would have been paid had he joined promptly. Of course back dues with interest may be paid if the member desires to do so.

3. Furthermore, as soon as the minister joins he is thereby cooperating with his denomination in the effort to protect every affiliated pastor against total and permanent disability, and against dependency brought about by the infirmities of age.

4. And then the greater the number of young men who participate, the stronger and safer the plan will be for all concerned, old and young. And while the Annuity Board cannot use the young man's money to pay pensions to the older men, the greater the number of participants, the greater will be the amount of money available to pay annuities for all who retire.

5. There can be little doubt that when a pastor protects himself against dependency, his mind will be free from many anxieties, and he will therefore be enabled to do a greater work for the Lord.

6. And of course, when all young pastors of their own free will and accord come into the plan promptly, promotion expenses will be greatly reduced, and our state secretaries and their associates charged with promotional duties can turn their attention to other important denominational matters.

7. Finally, when all pastors come into the plan Southern Baptists will have demonstrated their ability to solve their own social security problems. For application blanks or further information kindly write your state secretary.

Dr. H. H. Hargrove of Columbus Ave. Church, Waco, Texas, preached in the revival meeting at First Church, Marshall, Texas, H. J. Matthews pastor. Then he was at Laird Hill Church in the East Texas oil field in a meeting. In each place there was a good meeting with numbers converted and added to the church.

Rev. M. Glen Smith is now located at Maskeville, and finds the parsonage renovated, the pantry full and a garden started. All his work is in Noxubee County. The kindness shown him and his make him desirous of doing his best.

Luther J. Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn., has just closed a revival with the Main Street Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida. There were 145 additions to the church, with 84 of these coming by baptism. The church is 35 years old and has three thousand members, being the largest in Florida. Dr. Thomas Hansen is the pastor.

BARTHIANISM

By Mark Lowry

The Background Of Barthianism Chapter One

Probably the most-discussed way of thinking to-day is that which is called "Barthianism," or the "Theology of Crisis," of which Karl Barth, of Basel, Switzerland, is the leading exponent. Dr. Edwin A. Burt, of Cornell, calls it a "new supernaturalism." This is because reason and the competence of humanity in religion has spoken. Man can respond when God chooses to reveal himself to any individual. Revelation comes through the Bible, in which Christ is the Supreme Revelation. Yet, there is no revelation to any one until God speaks, or chooses to reveal himself. There is only possibility of revelation.

Science is declared to be inadequate to deal with truth in the realm of man's thinking about God and man and their relations, much less to afford truth. Natural revelation is discarded altogether. Man must turn his back on science in the realm of higher realities.

There is evident here the impress of Neo-Platonism with its impersonal and lofty transcendental Diety. We find also the negative influence of, or reaction against, the idealism and immanent Diety of Hegel, Scheiermacher, Otto, and Ritschl. Everything comes from without and above man. Nothing evolves from within him.

Kierkegaard

Further, in order properly to understand Barth, it is necessary to study especially two men. The first of these is Soren Kierkegaard, a forerunner of Barth, born in Denmark in 1813. Kierkegaard was a man whose subjective and super-sensitive personality, together with his early background and experiences, cast a cloud of gloom, doubt, and indecision over his thinking. He upbraided himself for his early sins, and yet probably continued in them to some degree. He was unable to make vital life decisions. For example, he shrank from marriage, wavering in indecision for years. He never married. His intellect failed to be sovereign in his life. His will and emotion were even greater failures than his intellect.

Kierkegaard found no efficient help in the State Church and its leadership. There were insurmountable barriers and a chasm between himself and soul peace which he could not attain. He attacked the Church and its leaders at intervals. He was suspicious of religious leaders, who he thought were interfering with the divine prerogative of setting the world right.

He had no patience with the masses, but spoke of them in a condescending address. He ever maintained an aristocratic aloofness in his thinking about the masses of the people. He thought of people and Church as being hypocritical. He was the only one whose thinking was correct.

Because of his complex, partly at least, he crucified reason and cast himself in a blind faith at the feet of the Absolute God, who is far from man and so different from him that man can not know Him or have any contact with Him.

God's revelation to man is given in Christ, who came into the world incognito, and has remained so. Christ is the Unknown upon whom man must cast himself with blind submissiveness without understanding Him.

The idea of atonement is foreign to Kierkegaard. However, the contact that one may have with Christ influences him to be on the right side of things. Yet, he can never be sure about the matter, but must live in fear and trembling naked before God. Man not only does sin. He must sin. God has made him so and predestined him to be thus.

It is when man has sinned that he is sometimes brought face to face with the realization that he stands naked before God. If God so decrees it, it is so.

The crisis of theology to Kierkegaard was brought into being by his own complex and his idea of the condition of the Church. It was he who was to propose a solution of the difficulties brought about by the crisis.

Brunner

The other man whom it is necessary to study is H. Emil Brunner, Professor of Theology in the University of Zurich. The crisis in theology, as Brunner sees it, it brought about by the breakdown of European morale and the clouding of the social outlook after the first World War. The optimism of the idealists and the intellectual royalty of the naturalists had collapsed. He feels that human ability is bankrupt. Man is utterly incompetent to solve his problems. He must cast himself upon the Absolute. It is thoroughly reasonable, according to Brunner, to leave science and rationalism and enter a higher realm through faith.

Through faith man comes to approach the revelation that God has given. The Bible is the cradle of revelation. The Supreme Revelation is Christ. Christ is incognito, but by faith one may know Him.

A person is saved by faith in Christ. This is possible because Christ gave himself on the cross. Yet, very little emphasis is placed on atonement. Then, a person can never be a true Christian in this life because he continues to sin. As he is at first forgiven, he must continue to be forgiven.

To Brunner God is all and man is nothing. His idea of God's providence is practically hyper-Calvinistic. Everything depends upon God's eternal decrees. Man is saved when God wills it.

True Christian life will begin only after the judgement when Christ shall judge and separate the peoples.

Christianity is mere formalism without any true spirituality. It has no claim to be Christian without the fruits of righteousness.

The kingdom of God is not from within man, but from without and from above. Man is nothing, has nothing. His potentialities are very limited. God gives all. There is to be no great spread of the kingdom. It may progress here and there but no general spread is to be expected.

As may be seen, Kierkegaard and Brunner are at some distance apart. Barth is almost halfway between them in his general position.

(To be continued)

OUR BAPTIST STATE PAPERS

E. C. Routh, Editor, Baptist Messenger

In the last issue of the Baptist New Mexican I read the announcement that one of the churches in that state had voted to place their state Baptist paper in the church budget and send it to every home in the church membership. Two or three weeks ago I read a similar announcement from another church in that state. These items are more significant than appear on the surface. For, gradually, the Southern Baptist states are realizing that the state denominational paper is indispensable, and that our people will be co-operative only to the extent that they are informed concerning the missionary, educational, and beneficent work undertaken in the respective states. Already several states have made considerable progress along this line. The Baptist Standard of Texas has a circulation of approximately 45,000, a large proportion of which is composed of church budget subscriptions. The Baptist Messenger in Oklahoma has proportionately about the same circulation, nearly 15,000. We have approximately 275 Baptist churches in Oklahoma that have placed the Baptist Messenger in the church budget on the same basis as Sunday School literature. Louisiana has had this plan in operation a long time. The most notable growth in the last two or three years has been that of the Baptist Record, Mississippi, the circulation of which has more than doubled within the last two or three years by using the wholesale, or church budget, plan. Ed Solomon writes us that they are making splendid progress in Florida with the budget plan. One or two other states have made a beginning.

The retail, or individual subscription, plan is no longer practicable because of increased publishing costs, decreased subscription prices, and the competition of other literature, radios, movies and automobiles.

The wholesale plan is practicable because it is a recognition of the necessity for literature if our people are to be informed and enlisted. Baptists cannot give intelligently to world missions and to the building of Christian institutions, nor can they be acquainted with Baptist achievements in their own states, without the information given through the state denominational paper. The church budget plan is no longer an experiment. It has been tried out in several of the states long enough to demonstrate not only its value but its necessity.

We have before us letters from a number of Baptist leaders in the South on this question. One of them writes: "The Catholics went out on the slogan, 'A Catholic paper in every Catholic home,' and they have largely succeeded. Catholics are putting forth an effort to capture this country. The time has come when we must have a Baptist paper in every Baptist home. The budget plan is the only plan which will work. We must get our churches in the habit of buying their state denominational paper through their budgets." A brother in another state writes: "The day of individual subscriptions is past. The denominational paper is as much a part of the whole program of Baptists as missions and Christian education." In that last sentence is summed up the attitude which the denomination should sustain to the state papers. These papers should be put in the Baptist program in every state and in the church budgets, not for the sake of the papers, but for the sake of getting the necessary information to all the Baptists if all are to be enlisted and indoctrinated.

President L. R. Scarborough said recently: "These Baptist papers are a fundamental necessity to the promotion, expansion, and growth of our churches and the causes of Christ. To be without them or to fail to adequately support them is denominational suicide."

The other day one of the Methodist leaders said in the Southwestern Advocate: "The day has gone for a needed church paper to be sold to personal subscribers. The Jurisdictional Advance should be sold to churches in blocks. If the paper is worthy it should be put into the hands of all the members of the church and the block system is the only way it can be done . . . The Methodist church needs an internal unifying and a promotional agency, and the church press must be a major medium."

A word about the method: In Oklahoma—and essentially the same method is worked in other states—we offer to mail the Baptist Messenger to individual addresses for 2c a copy per week, with the account carried on the name of the church and paid monthly by the church out of its treasury just as payments are made regularly on pastor's salary, missions, and other recognized items necessary for the growth of the church. We have many country churches, village churches, large town churches, and city churches that have adopted this plan and are pleased with it. The First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, with the second largest membership of any white Baptist church in America, adopted this plan a year ago last fall, and the Baptist messenger is mailed each week to every home represented in the church, 1600 copies altogether to that one church. These churches that have tried out the plan testify that it works, and that the results are reflected in increased contributions, more than covering the relatively small cost of the paper. Most of them say that they would not go back to the old method.

A good hour has been given by the program committee of the Southern Baptist Convention for the presentation of this denominational asset. It is our hope that in every state the pastors and other leaders in the state will get their people to thinking about the value of this plan. Let us build the fires of interest and enthusiasm at Baltimore and go back from the Convention to give the state denominational paper its rightful place in the state and church programs, and in Mississippi, as in other states, put the Baptist paper into every Baptist home.

EDITORIALS

PRAYER FROM A PRISON

We are thinking now of that Prayer of Paul found in the first chapter of Ephesians, 1:17-23. We think of it not as spoken the first time in the letter, but in the letter he is telling them just how he is in the habit of praying for them without ceasing; his daily habit of intercession. We are to think of Paul down on his knees (3:4) pouring out his soul in supplication in behalf of these saints whose face he can no longer see. He can not minister to them in person, and he turns to God in their behalf. He can reach them now by way of the throne of grace.

If he is prevented from preaching, the way of prayer is still open. Cut off from one avenue of service, there is another which is never closed. This door is never closed day and night. It may well be that the direct approach to them is cut off that he may learn and use a better way. Preachers who are cut off from pulpit ministry may well learn from this experience and method of Paul. Those who feel their inability to speak in public to men may do better; they may speak in private to God for men. Paul's imprisonment taught him to pray, and gave him the more opportunity for a greater ministry of intercession. When the iron doors of the prison shut behind him, the golden gate of prayer was open to him. There may be times when nothing else is left to us. But there is never a time when the ministry of intercession is not open to us. What an opportunity! But let us not wait until all other ways are closed to us.

One who prays, whether in prison or out of it, can not make a beginning until he has a realization of God, not only of his presence, but something of his nature. The first words of the prayer which Jesus taught his disciples/ gives a picture of God: "Our Father who art in heaven." To see him thus opens up the fountains of reverence within us; of worship. It puts us into sympathetic touch with Him; it puts us on "praying ground and pleading terms" with God. Similarly when Paul prayed here he says he prays to the "God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory." This gives you some one to take hold of. He is the God who is revealed to us and made real to us in our Lord Jesus Christ. God is unveiled to us by being veiled in the person of Jesus. He is the one whom Jesus taught us about, made known to us in his own person and conduct, in his attitude to men. All other revelations of God are partial and incomplete; even through the prophets. In Him (in Jesus) dwells all the fulness of the godhead bodily. The God who spoke to our fathers in many ways and many parts (always in part) through the prophets, has at last spoken to us in a Son. We know God better now and so ought to be able to pray better. No one who has learned of God through Jesus Christ will ever be satisfied to pray any other way than in His name.

And the God of our Lord Jesus Christ is "the Father of Glory." This briefly is the revelation of God that Jesus made to us, and wishes to make to the world, a Father, the Father, the Father of Glory. He brings God nigh. He shows us the relation which God would sustain to us, the attitude He has toward us, and so the way he wishes us to feel toward Him. He is repeatedly thus described. See specifically Ephesians 3:14. It is in this relation that we have access to Him. It is thus that He wishes us to approach Him. There is no other way of approach, and it is made for us through "our Lord Jesus Christ," as "the God of our Lord Jesus Christ." He is the Father of Glory, because it is thus that he is fully revealed to us, his nature unfolded. It is as children of God that we are able to see Him who is invisible. Moses saw something of his glory as the Lord passed by on the mountain side. He is revealed in the fulness of His glory as our Father through our Lord Jesus Christ. This enables us to pray.

THE HAVES AND THE HAVENOTS

Amidst all the conflicts in Europe and other places today, we hear every now and then this recurring note about "The Haves and the Havenots." And the truth is the conflict roots itself in this very condition. One nation says it must have its place in the sun, that it will not be strangled by any encircling move. It claims to be threatened with strangulation by the lack of raw materials, being forbidden access to the earth's resources, many of which are supplied from colonies. Another nation is afraid to turn loose anything that it has, for fear of being in its turn shorn of its sources of wealth. Another nation is dissatisfied because it received no colonies when the spoils of war were dealt out twenty years ago. And so these giant octopuses, representing the aggregate greed of millions of men threatens the world and actually precipitates a Niagra of blood. There seems little prospect of prolonged or permanent peace. The causes of unrest and conflict persist.

What is true of the nations is also true within a nation. The haves and the havenots are always threatening the peace of the world. What we call the conflict of labor and capital is from the same cause, the division between the haves and the havenots. The tenant problem is another form of the same conflict. Social unrest is forever with us until the cause is removed. All are familiar with the old complaint about the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer. These conditions cannot continue without breeding violence and threatening revolution. Many believe that we barely escaped revolution in this country a few years ago.

We are sitting on a volcano as long as we have wide differences among the groups in this country as to their financial condition and standards of living; as long as some live in palaces and others in hovels; as long as some have millions spent in education to little profit, and others are given no opportunity for development. Whence come wars? Read the book of James for an answer.

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DR. J. T. WALLACE

As stated in last week's Record Dr. J. T. Wallace of Mississippi College passed away Tuesday morning, April 30. He had been a patient at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital for about two weeks, and had not been in good health for more than a month.

Dr. Wallace was one of the most useful men in Clinton, and one of the most highly esteemed members of the Mississippi College faculty, where he had taught for about 25 years. He was also a deacon for many years in the church in Clinton. He was also for many years president of the Bank of Clinton. A few years ago the Annual of Mississippi College was dedicated to him as the most popular teacher.

Dr. Wallace was born in Carroll County, Mississippi. He married Miss Thornton, who was a sister of Rev. E. E. Thornton and Rev. M. K. Thornton, two well known Baptist preachers of the state. She passed away a few years ago. Three children survive them: Mrs. W. S. Thornton of Jackson; Dr. Thornton Wallace of New York, and Mr. Fred Wallace of Jackson. He is also survived by a brother and three sisters.

Dr. Wallace was by nature a teacher. He made thorough preparation for his life work, and gave himself to it with all the ardor of his soul. He was also a successful business man; and his helpful hand was extended to many people who were in need. He will be greatly missed by a host of friends. The funeral service was conducted by Pastor J. W. Middleton and P. I. Lipsey at the Clinton church, attended by hundreds of friends, who also witnessed their love for him with abundant floral offerings.

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Our sympathy is with Dr. R. J. Bateman of Memphis in the death of his mother in Atlanta. Burial was at their old home in Scotland Neck, North Carolina.

Arkansas Baptists will hold a state wide evangelistic conference at First Church, Little Rock, May 21-24.

The Sunday School lesson interpretation is being written now for the Baptist and Reflector of Tennessee by Dr. Merrill D. Moore, pasator of First Church, Newport, Tenn. As many of our people know Dr. Moore is a native of Mississippi an alumnus of Mississippi College, and former pastor of First Church, Selma, Alabama.

Thirteen churches in Meridian gave themselves April 28 to May 5 to "Eight Great Days" of evangelism under special sponsorship of their young people. This was a fitting culmination of nine weeks of special young people's emphasis and effort in the churches which preceded. Each participating church reports a great blessing.

Pastor J. D. Ray of Starkville is happy that in the first month of their Church Loyalty Campaign in which they had a "Young People's Revival" conducted by J. W. Marshall, Young Peoples' Secretary of Texas Baptist, there were more than fifty additions to the church by baptism, most of them coming by baptism. In the past four months there have been 30 other additions by baptism at the regular servcies of the church.

A pictorial magazine recently showed grils from Stephens Colege attending a bull fight in Mexico City on Easter Sunday. The president of the college when asked if it was true, said practically, Sorry, yes 'tis true. All of which means that people had better know what they are doing when they send their girls away to school. An "Educational Tour" may be just another name for eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Some people in sending to school are like some churches are by calling a pastor, pick one that they know the least about.

The revival in the Webb Church April 21 to 26, sponsored by the young people, resulted in much good not only to the church but to the community as well. The morning watch at 6:30 was well attended, the number increasing each day. A discussion group of from thirty to fifty young people met each evening at seven and were led in a discussion of problems confronting youth today by James F. Fairchild, Jr., student secretary at Copiah-Lincoln Junior College at Wesson, who also directed the music and rendered special numbers. The messages each evening at the regular services were brought by Andrew Coltharp of Mississippi College who spoke to a crowd that practically filled the auditorium every night. Visible results were seven received for baptism and two by letter. We unqualifiedly recommend these two splendid young men for a youth revival.—J. H. Pennebaker, Pastor.

The First Baptist Church, Meridian, Dr. Norman W. Cox, pastor experienced a wonderful spiritual awakening in its "Eight Great Days For Young People" April 28 to May 5 in which they were privileged to have for their leader and preacher Rev. Byron M. Wilkinson, 624 Sixth Avenue, Huntington, W. Va. Large congregations attended each service. There were 37 additions in the eight days. The meeting was especially notable for the spiritual awakening and enrichment of faith and life which the membership of the church received. On the last Sunday all available space was used for chairs and people were turned away. Brother Wilkinson on March 15 resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Corbin, Kentucky, and has launched out in the field of evangelism for full time work. He is a young man who entered the ministry under Dr. Cox' pastorate in Huntington and was his assistant there for two years. He is a young man 28 years old, of whom Dr. Cox says: "The older people adore him and he completely captivates the young people. He is a sound Biblical preacher who leaves no problems after a meeting. Any church or pastor would be fortunate to have him. I unhesitatingly commend him wholeheartedly to the brotherhood. Undoubtedly the Lord has called him for the work he is doing and set the seal of his approval upon him. Not only I but multitudes who have heard him say he is the greatest preacher for his years we have ever heard."

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b ("Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe.")

LUDLOW

Three churches in one Sunday and each one adopting the EVERY FAMILY plan is enough to encourage anyone, even a pessimist. And to add to the encouragement, the pastor at each place gave his whole-hearted support to the plan—which explains why they adopted the plan unanimously at each church.

At Ludlow we spoke at the eleven o'clock hour to a well-filled auditorium of people. And then had the added pleasure of dinner with the Herb Stones. Eugene Lewis is doing a good job as Sunday school superintendent and B. T. U. director. The W. M. U., led by Mrs. Mack Hughes, is on the job in a fine way.

We explained the EF plan, the pastor endorsed it and the people adopted it.

Scott County now has subscribers listed as follows: LAKE 22, R.F.D. Forest 2, Harperville 9, MORTON 115, SPRINGFIELD 28, LUDLOW 40, Hillsboro 2, FOREST 125, BRANCH 39, COOPERSVILLE 15, SAND RIDGE 7, BETHLEHEM (Forkville) 30.

BETHLEHEM (Forkville) Scott County

At 2:30 p. m. Pastor Mack Hughes took us to Forkville which now is in the center of a drilling boom which the people hope will produce oil. Some of the brethren have promised a new church and parsonage and full time preaching. And one of the women is making note of these promises so that if oil comes in, the promises won't be forgotten—as almost invariably happens. After the pastor endorsed it the Bethlehem folk unanimously adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan. This is the home community of Rev. R. L. Wallace and Dr. A. A. Kitchings. We also had the added pleasure of enjoying the hospitality of Deacon and Mrs. J. W. Wallace. Mrs. H. A. McDaniel and Mrs. C. A. Moore are doing good work as Sunday school superintendent and B. T. U. director.

GOOD HOPE, Leake County

Our third engagement of the day was with the Good Hope church in Leake County. A goodly crowd was on hand and after the pastor not only endorsed the EVERY FAMILY plan but agreed to underwrite it the people adopted it.

Pastor Hughes is pastor of five churches, four of them have the EVERY FAMILY plan and by the time this appears in print he expects to have the fifth church on the EF list.

Leake County now has subscribers listed as follows: Lena 6, WALNUT GROVE 85, TUSCOLA 25, Midway 9, Marshall 1, New Zion 1, CARTHAGE 62, Dossville 1, Standing Pine 1, Rocky Point 1, Oak Grove 9, FREENY 49, MT. CARMEL 17, BOLATHUSHA 1, GOOD HOPE 23.

THE RECORD ADDS ANOTHER CHURCH

The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY plan is growing in popularity. For proof watch this column. Among churches that have recently adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan are:

Bethlehem, Scott county, Mack Hughes, pastor; Morton, H. D. Jordan; Providence, Yazoo County, Frank Robbins; Rendora, Coahoma; Victory, Jeff Davis, Gaston G. Mooney; Good Hope, Leake, Mack Hughes; Spring Hill, Yalobusha, P. F. Herring; Ludlow, Mack Hughes.

ESTES' FIVE MONTHS' RECORD

During the past six months, Rev. E. D. Estes, state evangelist, has turned in 182 subscriptions to the Baptist Record. His monthly record is as follows:

November—30
December—41
January (leap)—51
February (snow)—19
March—26
April—15
TOTAL—182.

GULFPORT

At the invitation of Dr. Brookshire we attended the monthly meeting of the deacons of the First Baptist Church of Gulfport and explained the EVERY FAMILY plan. They gave us a good hearing and hope to find a place in the budget for the EVERY FAMILY plan.

The hospitality of the Brookshire home is a thing to be remembered long and well.

The church is out of debt and regularly meeting its operating expenses. The attendance seems to be good at the Sunday services. Last associational year 125 people united with the church, 58 of these on profession of faith. Sunday, April 28 eight people united with the church, six of these for baptism. Recently a junior board of deacons was organized, which is now actively engaged in church work. A few weeks ago Rev. Otis Ashworth was ordained to the ministry, and he is now pastor of the church at Vancleave, Mississippi. A study course for the adult union is now in progress. There seems to be a growing interest not only in the local work but in mission work as well. This growth in the mission work is indicated by the recent Home Mission offering, which was the largest the church has ever given, so we understand. Gulfport is situated at the crossroads, and being a resort center Dr. Brookshire preaches every Sunday to people from various sections of the United States and foreign countries. We know of no church which has a more strategic position than Gulfport.

The Methodist Conference meeting in Atlantic City passed a resolution seeking the recall of President Roosevelt's Ambassador to the Pope.

All of our people are sorry to know that Dr. H. M. King, Pastor-Emeritus of Calvary Church, Jackson, is seriously ill at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

"For more than four years not one prisoner in the Ohio penitentiary has been able to quote the Lord's prayer or the ten commandments."—Religious Digest.—Try it out in your church.

In the past twelve months The American Tract Society has sent out 3,383,151 pieces of Christian literature in 47 languages. The one hundred and fifteenth anniversary of the Society will be celebrated June 16.

Secretary McCall was with pastor B. S. Vaughn in Southside Church, Meridian last week. He says those folks sure do go to church. There were 18 additions to the church, half of them by baptism. All the Baptist Churches of Meridian were in the Evangelistic Campaign.

BRANCH: Sunday School attendance at Branch Baptist Church in Scott County, Sunday, May 5th was sixty. There were thirty-five in the adult Bible Class. To date Branch has given to Cooperative Program about seventeen dollars and attendance is steadily increasing.—A. A. Kitchings.

LEESBURG: The church at Leesburg gave last year to Cooperative Program nineteen dollars. Already they have given this year to the same causes \$21.46. On Sunday, May 5, they gave \$7.60 to the Baptist Orphanage to help in the building program. The Leesburg church is planning to have a school of missions on first Sunday in June. They have painted the Sunday School rooms inside and out, and plan to paint the other part of the church in the near future. A recently organized Sunday School is going forward in a fine way. About sixty were present Sunday, May the 5th.—A. A. Kitchings.

The largest number of subscribers from any church to The Baptist and Reflector, 142, is from First Church, Lexington, Tenn.

A men's dormitory is being built at the Tennessee Baptist Orphanage with a \$20,000 gift from the Jarman Foundation.

The likeness of Booker T. Washington appears on a new ten cent postage stamp, a worthy honor bestowed on a great Negro leader in education.

On Mother's Day we can honor our mothers and the Lord by remembering the motherless children in the Orphanage with a worthy offering. Have a share.

Miss Frances Traylor, state W. M. U. secretary, and Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Pierce of Crystal Springs left Monday for a two weeks trip to Cuba. They will visit our mission fields.

Dr. R. N. Richardson, executive vice-president of Hardin-Simmons University, declines election to the presidency of that institution, as he feels his work is as teacher rather than administrator.

Central Miss. Baptist Pastors' Conference meets in Jackson at First Church Monday, May 13 at 9:30 a. m. The general subject is "Christ's Second Coming." Devotional by Pastor Chas. Webb of Flora. Other speakers are W. L. Howse, Ray M. Dykes, R. L. Wallace, J. E. Blackford, M. O. Patterson; sermon by W. A. Bell. Closes at 12 m.

Bethany Church, Sunflower County. The newly formed church continues to grow. One hundred and ten persons present on Sunday afternoon for preaching service. The people have a mind to work and a full program is planned for the summer.—J.W.S.

In the meeting at Cleveland last week in which Pastor I. D. Evanson was assisted by Rev. J. B. Middleton of Clinton, there were 31 additions to the church. This field is specially important on account of the location here of one of the state colleges.

Merigold holds unique service. A candle light communion service was held in the Merigold church as a climax to the good revival that has recently closed. The service was held at night and a number of new converts took part in the service. A deep spirit of reverence was manifest throughout.—J.W.S.

Dr. E. D. Solomon, editor of The Florida Baptist Witness, will preach the commencement sermon for Blue Mountain College on June 2nd. We greet and welcome our Mississippi brother who has wandered into another state. The baccalaureate address will be by Miss Sue M. Powers of Memphis on June 3.

Rev. Frank Robbins, pastor of East Side Church, Jackson, is much encouraged over the prospect of the Boys' Camp to be held at a lake east of Jackson beginning June 4. The program and detailed directions will be published in the Record next week. About 300 boys from all over the state have already indicated their intention to come. Look for his announcement next week.

Spring Hill Church in Tallahatchie County has a long and interesting history. The editor attended an association there when a youth of eighteen years, and has been long interested in its work. It was specially gratifying that recently the church adopted the every family plan, sending the Record to every family. Brother P. F. Herring of Water Valley is the aggressive and efficient pastor.

A test vote on the liquor question in the House of Representatives of the Mississippi Legislature revealed a big majority against any sort of legislation favoring liquor. The bill was presented by Mr. Sillers of Bolivar County, as an amendment to the Privilege Tax Bill. Its purpose was to "tax liquor without legalizing" the same sort of inane stunt that was undertaken in the slot machine bill. It was of a piece with the federal tax liquor sold in violation of the law in Mississippi. The effect would be to protect the law violator and destroy respect for law. The amendment was voted down by 81 to 51, with 8 not voting. We expect to publish the names of the voters for and against next week, that the people may know what sort of representatives they have.

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"Getting People to Believe In Themselves"

Lack of proper faith in God, among other things, causes some folks to be filled with vain conceit and others to lose faith in themselves. We who are pastors in most instances face the problem of getting people to believe in themselves.

This applies to the church itself. There are many of our churches who are doing far less than they ought to be doing because they believe they can not do fine things that they see other churches doing that they would really like to do. As I write this I have in mind a country church that could be one of the greatest country churches in this state if they could only be brought to realize their strength and opportunity. As matters now stand, its record of achievement is pathetically little. They all but envy other churches and cry in self-pity not a little because they think they can not do many things that would greatly bless them that they could easily do if only they could be brought to have enough faith in God to believe in themselves.

We are very much limited in what we can do by ourselves. But we have a partner who is not limited. He is the Lord God Almighty. Our little in his hands can be enlarged into much. We lack courage because we doubt his protection. We think we can not do anything because we selfishly hold back from his service what ought to be given for his praise. Once men and women really have faith in God, they lose their inferiority complexes. They know they are nothing apart from their partner but once they wait upon him and fit themselves into his plan and purpose they are invincible.

The Baptists of Mississippi need to get this truth into their hearts. We continually look at our difficulties and sweat over our problems and are bent beneath our burden because we lack the vital faith in God which would enable us to master all these difficulties and go forward gloriously in the way of Christ.

Our real problems are not financial or organizational but spiritual. Unfortunately we are not good enough Christians to do the work the Lord has called us to do and support the program to which by his leadership we have committed ourselves.

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East Moss Point Baptist Church held the last in a series of revival services on April 23rd which began April 14th. Rev. Monte A. Davis, pastor did the preaching and Rev. W. L. Day of Pascagoula led the singing assisted by Mrs. Monte Davis as pianist, Carl DeAngela, violinist and Miss Omega Nutt, sister of Mrs. Davis, as piano accordionist. We, as members of this church thank God that through faith, prayer and personal work, He did bless us with a revival in which souls were won to Christ and others were added to the church by letter. We do not feel that the revival has ended but that it has only begun and we are expecting great things from God by doing great things for Him.

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The First Baptist Church, Biloxi, is in the midst of her Church Loyalty Crusade which began April first and will continue through June. The attendance and interest is as good or better than in the history of the church. The pastor will on the first of June begin his tenth year there. His program for the church during the coming summer includes a Vacation Bible School, a Young People's Revival, Youth Week, Recreational Clinic, a School of Church Music, Brush arbor meetings in out of the way places with student preachers who are members of the Biloxi church assisting, and probably the establishment of two missions in the suburbs of the city.

EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD KNOW

By G. C. Hodge

Every Christian Should Know The Rules Of The Road On The Highway Of Life.

He should know that this world is not his home that he is a pilgrim, that he is going somewhere, that he is each day traveling along the highway of life. He should know that on the highway of life are rules he must observe if he would reach his destination. We suggest the following:

1. Know Where You Are Going. People do not drift to Biloxi. Several thousands come here each year, but they know beforehand that they are coming. Those who do not plan to come here never arrive. Every traveller on the highway of life should know that he is going to heaven or he may never arrive there.

2. Follow the Route. Every traveller on the highway of life may know the way to the city of God though he never travelled that way. He may inquire of those who by experience know the way. He may follow the guide book, the Bible. He may acquaint himself with the places that are along the way and check his progress by them. For instance, if one should start from Biloxi to Galveston and later should find himself in Memphis, he would know that he was on the wrong road because Memphis is not on the way which leads to Galveston. Likewise, if one should start from Biloxi to heaven and later should find himself in a saloon, or gambling house, or other place of questionable character, he would know that he was on the wrong road, because such places are not on the way which leads to heaven.

3. Stay on the Right Side At All Times.

4. When You Come To A Cross-roads, Stop Until You Are Sure You Are Right. It is never safe to follow the crowd. Their destination may not be the same as yours. The crowd crucified Jesus once, and may do so again. Jesus said the crowd was on the Broadway which leads to destruction.

5. Don't Be A Road-hog on the Highway of Life. Give others rights. If they want to pass you, let them do so. Don't hinder their progress because you are not as fast as they are.

6. Slow Down At Dangerous Places. Detour around places where others have been struck. Go via best and safest way though it be farther.

7. If You Are About To Lose Control, Shut Off Your Gas And Step On The Brakes.

8. If A Heavy Grade Is In Sight, Speed Up Difficulties should spur you to greater speed and effort.

9. Don't Linger Too Long On Mountain Tops. You can't enjoy mountain-top experiences forever and reach your destination.

10. Don't become discouraged because you find yourself in the lowlands and valleys. The fact that you entered them indicates you are making progress. Keep going and you will reach the mountains again.

11. Watch Your Gas. Don't allow it to flow too freely. You may find yourself without power if it does.

12. Don't Allow Yourself To Run Out Of Fuel. Refill your tank when the fuel is low. The best filling stations on the way to heaven are called "Prayer meeting" and "Preaching Service." Any traveller's tank may be refilled at either station.

13. The More Powerful The Car, The Smoother It Runs. We once owned a T Model Ford. It sounded as though it would tear up the earth and when going down grade on a good, straight road it could make nearly twenty-five miles per hour, though in doing so it all but shook our teeth out. The new V-8 can make eighty, and they say, Even a hen can't hear it coming. The same is true with people. A little man makes a lot of fuss over the little he does and is so busy he can't meet his appointments. A big man turns out much more work with apparent ease, says little about it, and manages to meet his appointments on time.

14. Don't Wait Until You Can See All The Way To Start. If you can see just a few feet, go that far and you will be able to see a little farther. Continue your course and you will reach your destination.

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Bryan Simmons, Field Representative.

It was my gracious privilege to attend most of the Regional Sunday School Conferences recently held by Brother Williams and his co-workers. It afforded an opportunity to learn more of their efficiency and consecration. It also gave me the opportunity to hear many excellent Evangelistic messages and devotionals brought by the pastors.

Brother Williams and his co-workers gave me time at each conference to speak to the people about our Orphanage Program, stressing especially the Mothers Day Offering for our Chapel.

The people heard me kindly and gave me many encouraging promises. We are praying that these will be supplemented with some organization, information and effort. If this is done the results will be glorious. Your field representative has tried to be faithful and tactful in his efforts. He is deeply grateful for every encouraging word and for the many helping hands and he shall watch the results with a prayer that God shall be glorified in it all.

Remember the Goal, \$10,000.00 Remember the source, the Sunday Schools, Remember the purpose, to complete the J. E. Byrd Memorial Chapel.

To any one reading these lines please let me say this closing word. Speak a word wherever you can, reminding and urging the people to do their best. God will honor your effort, a good cause will be helped and other causes will not suffer.

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RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

By Dr. C. E. Maddry

Then when the Federal Government had been set up in 1789 and Jefferson assisted by James Madison had induced the first Congress to adopt the first ten amendments to the Constitution known as the Bill of Rights, one of which prohibited Congress from ever making any laws respecting religion in America, there was universal rejoicing throughout America, that the question of absolute religious liberty had been forever settled in America.

Now after a century and a half, the President of the United States, a Democrat and a professed disciple of Jefferson, has suddenly put in jeopardy this cherished doctrine of American Baptists by sending an ambassador to the Pope of Rome. Frankly, we have never seen our Baptist people, of all shades of opinion, so aroused over any issue or so united in opposition to this threat to their liberties as they are at this time.

The President has forced the issue upon us and the contest is going to be bitter beyond anything we have ever seen in America. Unless the President withdraws Mr. Myron C. Taylor, the Ambassador to the Pope, the matter will inevitably be dragged into the Presidential campaign. The bitterness and religious animosity engendered in the Al Smith campaign will be kindled anew and untold harm will be done to the cause of religious tolerance and good will in America. The fight is joined. The cause of religious liberty is in jeopardy. Now is the time for Baptist Churches, associations, and conventions to speak out.

Thank God the right of protest and petition still exists!

Let us exercise it!

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On April 25 the Lyon Baptist Church ordained three new deacons: C. G. Bobo, W. M. Staten, and H. K. Vickery. A. B. Walker, who had previously served as a deacon in the First Church, Greenville, and who had already been ordained was installed at the same time. Rev. George Gay of Marks brought a message on "The Office of Deacon;" Dr. N. D. Timmerman of Clarksdale gave the "charge" to the deacons, and Rev. J. E. Kinsey of Lula led in the ordination prayer. The pastor, Rev. B. Frank Smith, gave the charge to the church. Several deacons from Lula and First Church, Clarksdale, were present and assisted in the ordination.

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We list the comparative receipts below for your study:

	Budget	Misc.	5M Club	Total
1940—April—	\$14,144.19	\$13,464.17	\$3,731.68	\$31,340.04
1939—April—	9,674.95	9,765.93	1,748.39	21,189.27
Gain—	\$ 4,469.24	\$ 3,698.24	\$1,983.29	\$10,150.77

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STATE MISSIONS

In the pastorate we usually started magnifying evangelism, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and then went on out to every other good Cause. We have tried to follow the same emphasis while in the present position.

We feel it time to sound out a strong word for State Missions. Plenty of needy fields are right in our midst.

Jesus said "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea," etc. The "away out yonder" is frequently the more "glamorous." Pastors sometimes feel other fields are greener. Churches feel a pastor from distant parts is more desirable. Members say, "Oh, if I were a member of a different church" while looking beyond and overlooking local opportunities.

What about State Mission opportunities in Mississippi?

We have nearly 2,000 Choctaw Indians within our State and are doing almost nothing for them.

We have a Negro for almost every white, and again we are doing next to nothing for them.

We recently visited the delta being introduced to several Chinese. No one save 2-3 local churches seem to be doing anything for them.

Sometimes we fire up over situations in India, China, and Africa, and it is well so. But what about our ministry to these at our doors?

We receive heart breaking appeals for pastoral help.

Storms and fires destroy buildings and we have no monies after appropriations are made. Recent calls have come because of these calamities.

Brother Sturdivant took us over a great government project in the delta. Scores of families, mostly Baptist live there with no pastor to minister.

Brother Spell spoke to us about a similar project in his section.

What will Mississippi Baptists do? Will we let others occupy the field while we do little or nothing about it? Will we major or minors?

"It is nothing to you?" Lam. 1:12.

We believe Mississippi Baptists will more and more do something about it!

III

Pastors will overlook some valuable and interesting material if they do not read the new tracts recently sent out from this office — spiritual romance. When asked, most pastors told us they did not have those materials. That is the reason for our putting them out.

IV

Recent dates:
Kirkville, Rupert Powell, pastor, in Itawamba County meet, large congregation, several fine pastors. Having no time to eat at noon we rushed over to Thrasher for a Prentiss County meet — house filled. Closed day at First Church, Meridian — good audience, young people featured.

Drove 580 miles this Sunday speaking three times. Fine folks. Good day.

Brief Travel Talks at Clinton school.

Graduation address at Lena. Large auditorium filled. Met many of our Baptist people.

Another Sunday spoke at Pine Grove in morning. Pastor A. B. Culpepper is here. Good crowd despite mud and rain. Car stuck. This is the rural church giving 40% of receipts to Cooperative Program.

Graduation sermon here in afternoon. At night to Ellisville with Pastor Greene, house packed, many young people, Church Loyalty in good swing.

Attended happy B. S. U. gathering in a banquet at First Baptist, Jackson. Beautiful decorations. Good service featuring Dr. and Mrs. Hewitt, the Henry Loves, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dean and Pastor Wyatte Hunter, McComb.

Good to be at Neshoba County meet again, H. L. Byrd, moderator. Several pastors present and more churches represented. Met in fine new church building at Coldwater. About completed, and paid up to date. Congratulations, Pastor Byrd, and other members!

The Baptist Record is in most of the churches.

Heard Pastor Bragg, Carthage, on Stewardship. Good word to effect he had seen his people grow from \$5.00 to \$30.00 per capita.

Another Sunday spoke at Cross Roads at 10:30 a. m., Mt. Vernon at 12:45 noon, and Highland at 2:30 p. m., with Pastor W. C. Hamilton in Tishomingo County. Mission offering taken at each service. Closed day at First Church, Oxford, Dr. F. M. Purser, pastor. Another good busy day in His service. One by letter.

Union County meet at Pleasant Hill Church. Largely attended. Privileged to preach and speak of the work.

First Church, Vicksburg, Dr. D. Swann Hawthorth, pastor. Miss Bennett and others leading a fine week of study. Largest crowd Friday night. Spoke on "Evangelism."

Carthage High Commencement. Large audience and large class. Pastor Bragg and other leaders present. Privileged to slip in on their Sunday school.

Vespers at M. S. C. W. in late afternoon. Assembly room almost filled. Spoke on "Thy Kingdom Come."

Closed day at First Church, Columbus, Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor. Pleased at large evening congregation. Many young people in service.

V

In three services one Sunday at Cross Roads, Mt. Vernon and Highland with Pastor Hamilton, offerings for the Cooperative Program were taken.

These churches gave nothing last year. Only one until that Sunday had given anything this year.

Thus three of the 300 churches giving nothing last year were put in another column. The same thing may very easily be done in the other 297. Who will do it?

VI

TREASURERS—Please allow us to suggest a method of remitting funds to this office so your report will be in each quarter.

Just make monthly remittances and this will guarantee that point.

We usually have someone wanting the books kept open.

We like to accommodate but must have some system in the office.

It seems best to let each month, quarter and year stand on its own. At least for the present.

VII

We were happy to ordain Riley Munday at a recent service at Pilgrim's Rest, Copiah County. Brother Munday is a student at Mississippi College. We knew him well at Philadelphia. He is from a splendid family. We recall the service in which he came forward in reconsecration.

He should go far in great service in the ministry.

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I

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II

If each of the 270,000 Mississippi Baptist gave to the Cause of Christ around the world 3 cents per week through our Cooperative Program we would give over \$400,000.00 to be distributed to Foreign, Home and State Missions; Christian Education, Ministerial Education, Orphanage, Hospital, Training School, Relief and Annuity and Seminaries. All specials could be taken from the field. Harmony and fruitfulness in the things of Christ would prevail among His own. Let us try it!

III

We ought to give because of what God is doing, because of the task in which he seeks our help. Our Father is engaged in a great enterprise. The very majesty of this project and the difficulties which our Father is encountering should mightily move us. God has undertaken to win to himself a lost and wayward world. God has put into this undertaking all his resources; he has called up his reserves.... he is doing his best. With all that God has been able to do through these hundreds of years the task is far from complete. Whole nations lie in darkness; uncounted millions are without the bounds of God's mercy. Our Father needs our help.

The story of how the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis train number 5 came into Nashville, Tennessee, on time has been told again and again. The Baptists of Nashville had planned a great meeting and Dr. Truett of Dallas, Texas, was to address the gathering. The meeting was scheduled to begin at the very time when train number 5 was due to arrive, bringing Dr. Truett. Word reached Nashville from Memphis that this train was going to be at least an hour late. This would make impossible the service which had been planned. Some one called Major John Thomas, the president of the railroad, and laid the situation before him. Major Thomas belonged to the old line of railroad presidents who knew personally their men and who were loved and honored by them. He sent a wire across to Memphis saying simply that he wanted number 5 to come into Nashville on time. That was enough; the "Old Major" wants number 5 to go into Nashville on time." It was enough. Those men knew nothing of Dr. Truett. They knew nothing of the proposed meeting in Nashville. They only knew that the "Old Major" wanted number 5 to reach Nashville on time. That was enough. Train Number 5 sped into the Union Station at Nashville just two minutes ahead of its schedule time. Dr. Truett was hurried to the auditorium and the day was saved. God wants his gospel train speeded up. It is behind time. He calls for help to speed up his gospel train. Because we have withheld our love and our money there has been unseemly delay. The Father wants our help.

—Our Lord and Ours

IV

We list the following certificates:

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Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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(From By-Laws of Baptist W.M.U.) ARTICLE XII. Delegates to Southwide W.M.U. Convention.

Delegates to the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union shall be selected from the list of those sending their names to State W.M.U. Headquarters office not later than two weeks prior to the annual meeting. The appointments shall be based on an equitable distribution according to districts and one delegate from each district shall represent Young People's organizations.

If you are expecting to attend the W.M.U. Convention in Baltimore, June 9-11, please send your name to this office. Each State is entitled to 50 delegates and we are eager to have our full delegation. You will note from Article XII how the delegates are chosen.

Take note also of the date of beginning—June 9th which is Sunday before the general meeting of Convention convenes Wednesday. We will want to be there for the first session.

Next week we are expecting to publish receipts for the Annie Armstrong Offering by Unions. We feel this will be gratifying and encouraging.

Idi Aba, Abeokuta Via Lagos
Nigeria, West Africa
February 3, 1940.

Dear Friends:

Today I am supremely happy for after almost three months of delay and disappointments in the United States, three weeks in Portugal and five weeks on the ocean, we landed in Lagos, Nigeria, West Africa. Surely no missionary was ever more eager to reach Lagos or more grateful for the privilege of being His representative here.

As we prepared to leave for Africa, especially on the last date set, many of our friends felt that because of the critical situation in Europe we should wait. The seas they thought, and naturally so, were too dangerous. At that time a quotation from the poem "Enoch Arden" kept coming into my mind:

"And fear no more for me,

Or, if you fear, cast all your care on God—
That anchor holds.

Is He not yonder in the uttermost parts of
the morning?

If I flee to these, can I go from Him?

The sea is His. The sea is His. He made it."

Our experience on the sea during the past weeks has certainly proved the truth of that statement. Never had anyone in the group of twenty-five Protestant missionaries seen such quiet seas or good weather for the entire trip. Each day we were conscious of His protection and conscious too of the many prayers which we are sure you have been offering for us daily. We appreciate your remembering.

Since this was my first ocean trip everything was new and most interesting. Our first real excitement came on the morning of the sixth day. A German submarine signalled for us to stop. For about thirty minutes signals were exchanged. Then we were allowed to sail on toward Portugal. About three o'clock on that same day we saw our first land since we had left New York. Some of us went ashore. Every native, it seemed, had come to the dock to stare at us. Some were well dressed, but many were barefoot and dressed in very old clothes. Many of the women wore large black shawls. Every type of transportation, from the crudest ox cart to the latest model automobile, was in evidence. Images were in every

CORRECTION: In the list of W.M.U. District Meeting Dates published in last week's issue of The Baptist Record, DISTRICT I should have been MAY 15th.

window. I enjoyed, especially, the linen which had been embroidered by hand.

After spending only a few hours here we started again toward Portugal. No other submarines bothered us. About eleven o'clock on Saturday morning, December 16, we landed in Lisbon, Portugal. There I had my first experience in getting through the Customs. This experience was made much easier and more pleasant by the assistance of a young English boy who is in Portugal studying the Portuguese language before he goes as a missionary to Angola, Portuguese Africa. His father has charge of this work in Africa. This young man and his future wife, a lovely Portuguese girl, are looking forward to joining him very soon. They are waiting for her final thesis to be accepted in order that she may qualify fully as a teacher in a Portuguese school. Her father, a missionary in Portugal under the church of the Plymouth Brethren, is doing a wonderful piece of work. His work is supported entirely by faith. Just now, he is very much concerned over the situation within the prisons. Sometime ago he secured permission from the Portuguese government for him to conduct a general service for the prisoners. No one else was holding a service of any kind for them. As soon as the Catholics saw the great interest which was being manifested, they prevailed upon the government to withdraw this permit and started holding Catholic services there. Now, if a prisoner wishes to have a Protestant missionary visit him he must petition those who are in charge of the jail. To do so tends to weaken the prisoner's chance for release from the jail.

During our stay in Lisbon we were given a warm welcome by all of the Protestants, especially those who were members of the two Baptist churches. Each church gave a reception for us and gave us an opportunity to speak during one of their regular services. Mr. Carson usually spoke for the group. On one occasion each of us made a short talk. A young man from England who is studying in Portugal acted as our interpreter. He also plans to go to Africa as a missionary. The spirit of Christian fellowship was wonderful. Although we could not understand the words spoken by the Portuguese Baptists, we could understand the warm spirit of Christian friends. The church buildings were small and not well furnished but the light shining from the countenance of the people made you forget all else. In addition to visiting the churches in Lisbon, we attended a special service at Lariae. Here we found a lovely well built, well equipped new church which they told us had been built in spite of the strong Catholic opposition. They had prepared for us a most inspiring program, including much special music. Their pastor was the delegate from Portugal to the Baptist World Alliance held in Atlanta last summer. Now he is studying at the Baptist Bible Institute. His son, an excellent musician, has charge of the choir in his father's church.

Finally, on January 7, the Amstelkerk actually came. Eagerly we went on board. Some of our friends came to bid us farewell. Even while they were expressing their wishes, we learned that the sailing was postponed until the next afternoon because of the heavy rains in Portugal. These rains prevented the loading of the ship. The next afternoon about three o'clock we actually

started on our journey to Africa. When we learned from the other passengers of the real dangers through which the Amstelkerk had come to reach Lisbon, we marvelled that it had come at all. The Arendakerk, a sister ship which left Holland immediately after this one, did not. It was sunk by a German submarine. I firmly believe that the sparing of the Amstelkerk was a definite answer to your prayers for our safe arrival in Africa.

I experienced one of my biggest thrills at Accra when I received a telegram of "Welcome" from Dr. Green and the statement that I had been assigned to the Girls' Normal School at Idi Aba, Abeokuta. At last after seven months of suspense, I really knew where my field of labor was to be. And I was very happy for I can think of no greater task or challenge than that of training or helping to train the young women who will go back to their villages and schools as witnesses for Christ. I did not choose my station but I am sure that no better choice could have been made than that made by the Education Committee for I feel that this is really my place in His plan.

About six-thirty on the evening of February 2, we sailed into the harbor at Lagos at last. Dr. and Mrs. Green, Rev. and Mrs. Griffin and Mr. Powell met us. Although I had never before seen any of them I felt that I had known them all of my life for they were most cordial. Since it was so late we were not allowed to leave the boat that night, but Rev. Griffin brought the mail to us. I received letters of welcome from each of the missionaries on the field and Christmas cards from the McLeans in Canada, some members of my own family and some friends in South Carolina. The United States stamps looked especially good, for they were the first ones that I had received since I left New York in December.

February 15, 1940

My first Sunday in Africa was spent with the Griffins in the Baptist Academy at Lagos. Some of us attended services at the First Baptist Church—the church which was erected by Mr. David, a missionary from Virginia. In the evening I heard Mr. Powell preach in one of the smaller churches in Lagos. We observed the Lord's Supper after the regular service. All of the windows and doors were locked during the partaking of the supper. Someone said that this was necessary to prevent disturbances.

—Willie Kate Baldwin
(Continued next week)

NOW CLUB—

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—BR—
Rev. A. A. Ward, pastor at Lena and Tuscola has been called to Midway Church in Leakey County.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH FROM 1846 TO 1940

(The article below was read by Bro.
S. T. Berry on the 40th anniversary
of his election as church clerk. He
is still serving faithfully as clerk.)

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church was
organized August 24, 1846. And the
next day, August 25th, six white
male members were baptized and
one person of color. The white mem-
bers were John Moore, Robert Little,
Ory Dye, Charlie Banks, Ruple Mur-
ray and Arthur Weathersby. The
name of the colored man is not
known. The Presbyterian minister
who organized the church is not
known and for twenty-seven years,
or until 1873 there is no record avail-
able. But from 1873 the records are
well kept and preserved.

From all accounts from the old
people who are not living now the
following preachers served the
church: From 1846 to 1873 as fol-
lows William Tolar, Alexander Mur-
ray, James Murray and Thomas
Price. Those serving as pastor from
1873 to the present are: Elisha Doug-
las, 3 years, R. D. Middleton 5
years, J. C. Buckley 2 years; A. H.
Edmondson, 1 year; J. C. Buckley
(2nd time), 7 years; R. Drummonds,
5 years; J. C. Buckley 11 years;
R. Drummonds, (2nd time), 3 years;
J. C. Buckley, (fourth time), 1 year;
J. C. Farrar, 2 years; J. C. Buckley,
(fifth time), 3 years. Rev. J. C.
Buckley served in all 24 years. B. E.
Phillips form 1916-22; N. J. Lee,
(second time), from 1922 to 1924;
T. J. Dale from 1924-26; B. E. Phil-
lips, (second time), from 1926 to
1940 and still the pastor beloved.

From the best information from
the old people we only have one name
who served the church as clerk
from 1846-73, Mr. C. H. Doss. Those
following were: J. E. Buckley, J. M.
Shows, J. R. Bush, E. S. Batemen,
D. S. Armstrong, D. F. Buckley, I.
J. Stamps, J. M. Little, and S. T.
Berry from 1900 to 1940—40 years
and is serving at present time. The
brethren who served as deacons
were from 1846 to 1873, Isaac Bush,
Berry Buckley, James White and R.
W. Little and those serving from
1873 to the present time were J. E.
Buckley, E. S. Batemen, D. N. Arm-

strong is serving at present.

The church has ordained to the
full work of the ministry the follow-
ing brethren: Rev. Frank Gardner,
John F. Norman, J. C. Buckley, H. T.
McLaurin and Guy A. Little.

The Sunday School Superinten-
dents since 1873 were as follows:
J. E. Buckley, J. R. Hush, I. N. Arm-
strong, T. J. Buckley, S. U. Bush,
J. R. Little, J. M. Little, S. K. Arm-
strong, J. R. Buckley, M. C. Steen,
J. H. Mangum, J. V. Little, O. V.
Dickerson, R. R. Little, I. J. Stamps,
C. E. Armstrong, S. T. Berry, M. W.
Buckley, B. D. Dickerson and W. M.
Little who is at present Superinten-
dent.

The Presidents of W.M.U. have
been as follows Mrs. A. H. Bateman,
Mrs. J. C. Buckley, Mrs. J. M. Little,
Mrs. S. T. Berry, Mrs. R. R. Little,
Mrs. H. W. Little, Mrs. A. H. Little,
Mrs. O. V. Dickerson, and Mrs.
Ellis Little who is serving at pres-
ent.

MOTHER

Mother, look and listen,
While I whisper low,
Let your glad eyes glisten,
Oh, I love you so!
From this fragrant flower,
Breathe the love I bear,
Every single hour,
Seems you grow more fair.
If I had a treasure,
Vaster than the sea,
I could never measure,
What you mean to me.
Take this heart I bring you,
Make it all your own,
Hear this song I sing you,
It is yours alone.
All my thanks forever
All my tribute, too,
May I fail you never,
God be good to you!

David E. Guyton,
Blue Mountain Miss.

COUNCIL OBSERVES HOME COMING

On the fourth Sunday in April
Concord Church, Rankin County
observed Home-coming with two ser-
vices by pastor F. M. Britt. Mem-
bers from 12 other churches were
present. Rev. D. W. Moulder, who
was pastor for 26 years and Rev. J.
W. Steen, pastor for 4 years were
present.

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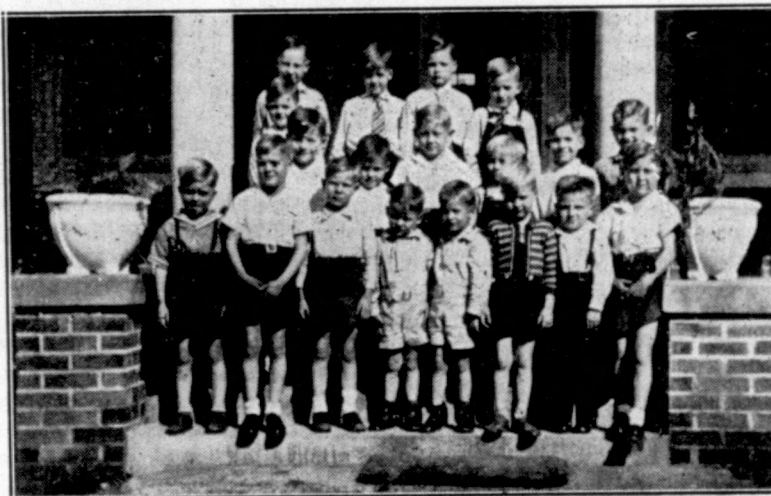
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these fine boys and girls in HIS NAME.

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W. G. Mize, Superintendent.

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Baptist State Mission Board, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.,
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Sunday School Lesson

By L. Bracey Campbell

Lesson for May 12
THROUGH DOUBT TO FAITH
Bible Text: Habakkuk

Introduction.

The name Habakkuk is said to be derived from a Hebrew root meaning "to embrace." The significance of it in the case of the prophet is the idea of holding a conviction in the midst of temptations to abandon it. Habakkuk could not see the light, because he was caught in a dust storm. Habakkuk could not see the light of the stars, because there were clouds overhead. Habakkuk could not see the azure robe of the distant mountain top, because he was in the fog. The dust storm did not reach to the sun, it never does: the clouds did not wrap the stars even, much less blot them out, the clouds never do that: the fog did not level the mountains down, it never does; but Habakkuk could not see them. "Why can not I see them, O Jehovah?" "How long, O Jehovah, shall I call, and thou wilt not hear? I cry to thee, 'Violence' and thou dost not deliver." (Habakkuk 1:12) Here is Habakkuk's name and Habakkuk's condition, which reveals the significance of his name. He was God's prophet, because he clave to God in the dust and under the cloud and in the fog. Do you and I do likewise?

Lay this paper down now, and have your Bible and read this brief book. There are only three chapters and, in the Bible whose leaves I fingered just now, the prophecy does not fill four pages. Read it all. It is a tremendous book. It states a problem common to all men and women and gives God's answer to the problem. The problem is that of surrounding evil, environing wickedness, and a God of justice and righteousness, and the potency, the power, of that God. Is God righteous? Is God pure? Habakkuk does not doubt. He has embraced this: "Thou who art of too pure eyes to behold evil, And who canst not look on oppression." (Habakkuk 1:12). Granted that He is the God Habakkuk has here described, what of the wickedness which may be seen rife on every hand? Can it be that God can not, or that He will not rebuke it? What disposition will He make of it? Now, you get an answer from this magnificent little book. Read it all.

Somewhere within a space of 40 years this little book was written, and the period is back some five hundred years before the coming of our Lord. And the period was one in which sin abounded, not only, but the threat to the national existence of Habakkuk's people had grown ominous with the rise of the Chaldean empire at Babylon. But the threat from without did not bring its lesson from God to the king in Jerusalem. He closed his ears to the message God had for him in the progress of national events, just as almost all of our people are doing now. We are reading men's

lying words in our newspapers every day, and are paying no attention to the truth of God written all over those same papers. Habakkuk's day was dark, and he was bewildered in the midst of it.

I. A Troubled Questioner.

Hab. 1:1-4.

Read all the first chapter to see how it forms a sort of dialogue between the prophet and his God. The first four verses contain the prophet's first questions. These are followed by God's direction as to how to understand what is coming to pass, or rather how to see it. But to come back to the prophet's questions. They are just the ones which frequently trouble you and me. Habakkuk sees evil all around him and is dismayed by it. He has pleaded with God to interpose, but can not see that God has. He is compelled to witness the paralysis of law and order affected by oppression, violence, iniquity in all its hateful forms, plunder, strife, contention. And he can't see that God does anything about it! Why doesn't God do something about it? Habakkuk's whole inheritance of culture and his wealth of religious nurture commanded him to refer all outward things immediately to God. Of course the fact that Habakkuk did refer all these effects to God as the only source and cause, stamps Habakkuk as a true believer in God. You would not think of carrying your problem to God if you believed there were no God. The infidel who drew an indictment against God charging God with responsibility for all the evil in the world, believed in the existence of God. Now Habakkuk believed in the existence, in the imminence, in the sovereignty, of God. "But why, then, does not this pure sovereign act?" Well, you have wondered the same thing, and so have I. Each day you and I read the newspapers and, seeing what men have written in them, because that is just about all most of us can see, we say, "How can God allow this to occur?"

Read verse four. Do you know anything in our society today like that. Why, it sounds as though it had been composed last night.

II. Jehovah Makes Answer.

Hab. 1:5-11.

The Chaldeans are coming to chastise God's chosen people for their sins, the very sins of which Habakkuk has complained. A foreign nation of ungodly men have been drafted to administer correction to God's people. See how God describes the Chaldeans (v. 6) "That bitter and swift nation." Go on now, and read the other verses and see if there be one single statement in the whole passage which might not be applied with perfect truth to the aggressor nations in our present wars. They traverse the breadth of the earth, and their purpose is to take the homes of other people for their own. They judge from themselves with no regard for God or man; they are swifter than leopards, fiercer than evening wolves in search of prey; they fly like vultures which hasten to devour; they make sport of kings and deride princes; they come all of them for violence, and laugh at every fortress. Why was such a people un-

leashed back there? Why has such a one been unleashed today? I think it is for the same reason it was unleashed back there.

III. The Problem of the Patriot.

Hab. 1:12-17.

How can God suffer such a people as the Chaldeans to go on in their course of conquest? How can a sovereign God allow a God-denying Russia and a Hitler-worshipping Germany to continue in their victorious career? Every victory they win but the more confirms them in their godless, wicked course. Now you are asking that question, aren't you? I am. Habakkuk did. Can you find an answer? Have you tried? Do you expect to try?

IV. Jehovah's Answer.

Hab. 2.

Dialogue again. Habakkuk stands upon a tower to watch and to wait for an answer to his question. He seems not to voice the question again, but it is there, all the same, and that which he thinks, is spoken unto God. And the answer of God affirms the sovereignty of God over all the earth and an assertion that He will visit justice upon the godless nation as well as upon the godless individual. And in the midst of this passage, Jehovah, while giving answer to the prophet, defines the sincerely religious man as the faithful one. "The righteous by his faithfulness shall live." (V. 4) The crooked in soul is swollen in pride (which among our present world rulers do these words describe?)

Faith is the principle of life in spite of all appearances. Faith has still its problems. The outlook is often dark and desolate enough. Get the message of this book for your heart: You can not and ought not to judge by the appearances of the hour, but by the word of God, which is at once His oath and covenant.

V. From Sigh to Song.

Hab. 3.

Read this wonderful prayer. Read it again. It is the expression of the triumph of Habakkuk's faith. Through what process did he come to the faith which is here expressed? Turn back to 2:2, and read that verse again. The lesson is wait. "Though the vision tarry, wait for it." But waiting is such dreadful work. It is the hardest thing you have to do, the hardest of all work. "How shall I wait?" On my watchtower, telling God everything and listening to God. Wait for God! Listen to God! And like Habakkuk in his matchless prayer-song (chapter 3) you will sing.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the death of Mrs. H. I. Gullidge, the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Lauderdale County, Zion Four, has lost a faithful member, one whose beautiful life so endeared her to all of us, and the loving service she has rendered in His name.

As time goes by we realize more and more how much she meant to our church, community and Zion. We miss her presence, her loving advice, her gentle exhortation.

While we miss her, we couldn't wish her back, because we know she is happy. We bow in humble submission to our Father who "doeth all things well."

So our prayer is that God will give us more like her to shine for Him in a world of darkness.

Mrs. Howard Walker,

Mrs. Morris Etheredge,

Mrs. Henry Carr, Comm. for Zone Four.

MOTHERS DAY RESOLUTIONS

Women lets let this Mothers Day Mean something deep and sweet, More than it has ever meant before, Something true and complete; For mother-hood has a meaning— 'Tis an honor to help God create To be to a man in God's image A faithful worthwhile mate.

Women, lets let this Mothers day Give a higher truer vision, Of our duty to life and to childhood, Let's try to meet every condition, Let's keep our God-given bodies Chaste and healthy for motherhood For to be a mother to women and men Is the highest and greatest good.

And as you wear a white flower today Pinned in some conspicuous place, Wear the flower of chastity in your heart, And you can, by God's wonderful Grace.

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More Standards

The Standard schools, classes, and departments continue to come in. Since last giving them, the following have sent in applications and joined the rapidly growing list of Standards:

Beginner Department, Mrs. B. J. Goss, superintendent, Columbia First Church.

Primary Department, Mrs. J. R. Whitaker, superintendent, Meridian First Church.

Junior Classes, Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, Bill Owens teacher.

Intermediate Classes: Friendship, Mrs. Joe Smith, teacher; Daughters of Ruth, Mrs. E. W. Thompson, teacher; Marys and Marthas, Mrs. Mack Camery, teacher; Radiant, Mrs. W. J. Peery, teacher, all these from the First Church, Meridian.

Young People's Classes: Double W. M. W. Perry, teacher, Philadelphia; Faithful Workers, Mrs. A. E. St. John, teacher, Vicksburg First; Esther, Mrs. Arthur Burns, teacher, Griffith Memorial, Jackson.

Adult Classes: Piner, Mrs. Robert Jones, teacher, Columbia First; T. E. L. Mrs. N. T. Stuart, teacher, Morton.

In addition to these, the Young People's Department of the First Baptist Church, Columbia, has also attained the Standard rating for the first time in many, many years.

Just Two

Two schools, Columbia First and Philadelphia First, lack only two departments each having all eight on the Standard group now. Columbia lacks the Cradel Roll and Extension departments, and Philadelphia lacks the Adult and Extension.

We are just waiting anxiously to see which of these fine schools will be the first to reach these two remaining departments for this year. Standard. Since these two are so near this point, we are hoping for both of them to get on the list this year. There is not an Advanced Standard Sunday school in the South now. Last year there was only one, that of Philadelphia.

The School at Union, Dr. L. B. Cobb, pastor, and Mr. J. L. Lewis, superintendent, has also come in on the Standard list of schools since last week. Many others are near. Check up, fill out the blank and mail us right away and join this group.

April Tour

We have completed our 20 district conferences over the state. The entire month of April was devoted to these, and we are well pleased at the results.

We discovered that fully 75% of those attending this year were not in attendance last year, and that more than 90% were pastors, teachers, and officers. These were the very groups we were so anxious to reach.

To all those who had any part in making these conferences the success they were we are indeed grateful.

The services rendered by all were most helpful and done in a very efficient manner.

—BR—

ORDINATION OF ELMORE RAY

The members of the Providence Baptist Church, whose house of worship is located near Chalybeate, Mississippi, a Council of ordained Preachers, and some other friends met at the call of the church through her pastor, Rev. Roy M. Lewis, at five o'clock on the evening of the nineteenth of April. The purpose of this gathering was to examine for ordination and then to ordain Brother Elmore Ray to the full work of the Gospel ministry. Brother Ray is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ray of Chalybeate.

The Ordination Council was composed of the following brethren: Roy M. Lewis, Chalybeate; O. C. Hicks, Walnut; L. E. Horton, Ripley; J. B. Parker, Ripley; and J. S. Riser, Jr., Blue Mountain. This group organized with Roy M. Lewis as Moderator and J. S. Riser, Jr., as Secretary. Grother Lewis was also asked to serve as leader in the questioning of Brother Ray. Several men and women listened as the questions were asked and answered.

After a large number of questions concerning the beliefs, experiences, and purposes of Brother Ray had been sympathetically asked and satisfactorily answered, the Council voted unanimously to recommend to the Church that Brother Ray be ordained. We were impressed with the consecration, the sincerity, the ability and the purposes of this splendid young man.

The examination being over, the ladies of the Church served a delicious and bountiful supper to all who were present.

The following service was then engaged in:

Singing led by George Powell.

Prayer by O. C. Hicks.

Recommendation of the Council to the Church by the Secretary.

Vote by the Church to proceed with the ordination.

Charge to the Church by O. C. Hicks.

Charge to the young Preacher by J. S. Riser, Jr.

Presentation of Bible by L. E. Horton.

Dedicatory prayer by J. B. Parker.

Laying on of hands by ordained ministers present.

Singing of first verse of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" by the congregation.

Benediction by Elmore Ray.

J. S. Riser, Jr., Secretary.

—BR—

Patients admitted to the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans last month were members of the following denominations: Baptist 95; Catholic 292; Episcopalian 28; Evangelical 13; Jewish 12; Lutheran 25; Methodist 52; Presbyterian 36; Other 44; Unaffiliated 629; total 1,226. The unaffiliated includes all babies and children who are not members of any church.—L. J. Bristow, Superintendent.

—BR—

Culbertson: "Shall I know anything when I come out of ether?"

Miss Riddle: "Well, that's expecting a great deal of an anaesthetic."



The picture above (Julia Johnson Lipsey Memorial) shows one of the new dormitories of the Orphanage, where some 32 children make their home. This building is comfortable, safe and sanitary. On Sunday, May 12th, which is Mother's Day you will have an opportunity to make an offering to help the Orphanage continue this building program for our boys and girls.

APPEAL AND PROTEST OF THE BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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The faculty of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana, wish to join other Christian schools and organizations in an earnest appeal and protest concerning possible changes in the law pertaining to Old-Age benefits.

We protest against any change.

(1). We are opposed to any change which would give to the government coercive authority in collecting from religious institutions taxes to be paid into the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund;

(2). We are opposed to any discriminating action against churches and religious denominations which do not foster "religious orders" and which conduct their charitable and educational institutions with unordained employees;

(3). The law as it now stands is impartial in its operation and safeguards religious institutions in their exemption from taxation. We earnestly make our protest against any change which would violate this impartiality by operating disadvantageously against Baptist and others who are not hierarchical in their church government;

(4). "A free church in a free state" is our belief, and we appeal to those in authority that they sustain this provision of our government and not permit any legislation which would call for governmental supervision over the methods and policies of religious institutions, and thus tend toward infringement upon the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

—BR—

HE KNOWS

—O—

I approve of all you say about the liquor business. I was once town marshal and had a chance to know the evil effects of whiskey. Whiskey has caused many a poor man to be in the penitentiary, and caused thousands to be orphans and widows. Sam Jones used to say it was a good thing in its place, and the place was in hell. It is surprising to see church members and officers doing so little to stop its sale. Bootleggers operate day and night. The whiskey element is willing to do anything to protect their friends, swearing to lies on any occasion.

R. L. Edwards, Shuqualak.

—BR—

"I can't quite diagnose your case. I think it must be drink."

"All right, doctor, I'll come back when you're sober."

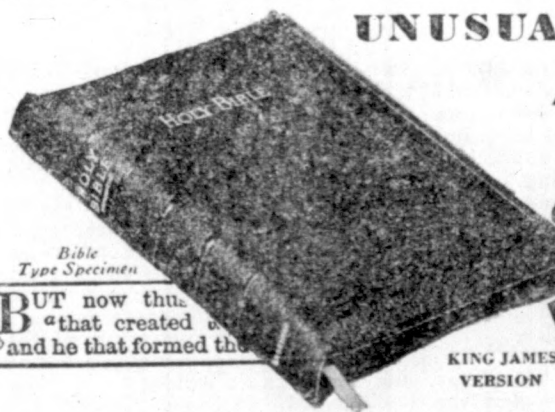
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The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

(Address all communications to Mrs. Frances Steele, Magee, Miss.)

My Dear Children:

Here are some of those letters which I promised you last week from the children at the Orphanage. In order to save space, I am giving the heading and salutation only once, as they would be the same each time. In this way, we can have more letters. Also we have quite a few letters from our members throughout the state. I wish you'd notice how many of these correspondents are eleven years old. I wonder what age will have the most of next week.

When you read these letters from the children at the orphanage. I know that you'll be gladder than ever to help in this Mother's Day offering.

With love,
Mrs. Frances Steele.

Baptist Orphanage
Jackson, Miss.,
April 17, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele and Circle Members:

I surely do appreciate what you have done for us as I live in the Foster Building. I think my building is very nice. I'm ten years old and in the third grade. My teacher's name is Miss Boydston. She is good to us. I'm enjoying reading the Baptist Record. I have been here two years, and going on my third year. I lived in Clarksdale before I came here.

With love,
Sadie Lee Baber.

We are so thankful that you helped make our campus more beautiful. I am in the fourth grade. I am ten years old. I like it here a lot. I have been here three years. I came from Hattiesburg. I would like to hear from some boys my age. I am glad school is almost out. I am glad summer is coming. I like to swim. I have to help take care of the little boys.

Your friend,
Wiley Burch.

We surely do appreciate what you have done for us. I am in the third grade. I have been at the orphanage three years. I like it here because Mr. and Mrs. Mize are so good to me.

Your friend,
Colon McKee Crawford.

We appreciate the kind things all of you are doing for the orphanage. I am thirteen years old. I have missed a few years in school. I have a good and kind teacher. I have a brother younger than I and a sister eleven years old. I would love to know about some boys about my size.

Your friend,
Hilburn Lowe.

How are you by now? Fine, I hope. My name is Carleene Caples. I am in the third grade. I came here from Big Creek. Please come up here and visit our campus. We appreciate everything you all are doing for us. Some girls and I help clean up the yards. I would like to hear from some of the girls my age. I have a sister in the big girls' building. I like Mr. Mize a lots.

Your friend,
Carleene Caples.

I wish to tell how much we appreciate your kindness. I am glad we have new buildings. I am glad school is almost out. I have three brothers. We like the orphanage very much. We came from Wesson. I have the job of feeding the cows.

Your friend,
Clayton Crawford.

I have been reading the Baptist Record and enjoying it very much.

I surely do like to read the other boys' and girls' letters. I am eleven years old. I like to be at the orphanage. I have been here four years. I surely do appreciate what you all are doing for us. Mr. Mize is good to us.

Your friend,
Frances Lee Pritchard.

I want to thank you for helping the orphanage. I have been enjoying my life since I have been here. I am nine years old and in the third grade. I would like a letter from you. I wish you would come see our new buildings and campus. I came here from Laurel. I hope you are well.

Your friend,
Maxie Blackwell.

I appreciate what you have done for us very much. I thank you and all of our friends. I am ten years old and in the third grade. Before I came up here I lived at Coffeeville. I like to live on the campus. I think it is going to be very pretty when they finish the other buildings.

Your friend,
Bettie Lou Springer.

My name is J. D. Sims. I am fifteen years old and I have been in the orphanage for four years.

I am in the pig job. We have about forty pigs. Some are big, some are little. I will be glad for you to come visit the orphanage.

Your friend,
J. D. Sims.

We thank you and the other people for helping to build up our home. I am nine years old. I live in the new memorial home. I was born near Meadville, Mississippi. I have five brothers and one sister. Two of my brothers are in Texas and the rest of us are here. I have been here a year and am going on my second year now. I wish you would come out some day and see the buildings and other things. We have a new dining room now.

Your friend,
Lenox Oglesby.

Shivers, Mississippi,
April 29, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write to the Children's Circle. I am eleven years old and in the fifth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Brister. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. Our pastor is Brother McAlpin. I have four brothers and one sister. I am sending ten cents for the orphanage.

Your friend,
Ida Sue Grubbs.

Ida Sue, I think I know your teacher. If she's the one I think she is, she's all right! Thank you for remembering the orphans.—F. L. S.

Brookhaven, Mississippi
April 26, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

Our school was out yesterday. I made all A's and B's on my report card. I passed to the sixth grade. Jo Ann, my sister, passed to the second grade. I have not missed a day at school for five years. Mother is going to get me a watch for making the highest grades.

Last 4-H Club day I won first place in the poultry judging contest. Yesterday I won first place in the county poultry judging contest. I am going to the Percy Quinn State Park this summer. I will stay three days. I am looking forward to this trip, but I will be glad to get back home.

Aren't the trees and flowers beautiful. Jo Ann and I have a flower

garden. We don't have many flowers planted yet.

"The world is so full of a number of things,

I am sure we should all be so happy as kings."

Enclosed find one dime, for the orphanage.

Your friend,
Shirley Stanley.

The next thing we know, Shirley, you'll be winning in the state poultry judging contest, and we'll be proud of you. We are glad to have your contribution for the orphans.—F.L.S.

Drew, Mississippi,
April 25, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I have just finished reading the Children's Circle. I read the children's page every week. I am a little girl eleven years old and in the sixth grade at Drew Junior High. Our school is out May 21, 1940. I go to Sunday School and church every Sunday. Our pastor's name is Rev. B. D. Hardin. We like him very much. I had better close.

With lots of love,
Mavis Moody.

Mavis, we are glad to have you in the Children's Circle. Come again.—F.L. S.

Poplarville, Mississippi,
April 25, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele,

I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade. Our school is out now. I will be in the sixth grade when school starts again. This is my first time to write. I read the Children's Circle. I hope my letter is not too long to be put in the Baptist Record.

A new friend,
Ruth Patricea Smith.

Now you see that your letter is just right for the Children's Circle. Try us again, Ruth.—F.L.S.

Sallis, Mississippi,
April 25, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write to the Children's Circle. I go to Sunday School. I haven't missed but two Sundays in 1940. I am a little girl eleven years old. I will be in the sixth grade next year. I am visiting my grandmother. I am sending ten cents to the orphans or where it is needed most.

Your new friend,
Bernice Robertson.

P. S. In answer to Mrs. Cap's Bible study Quiz: Joel, Aaron, and the Israelites.

Thank you for this gift, Bernice, and thank you for answering Mrs. Cap's questions. We have some questions sent in another letter that you might like to answer, too.—F.L. S.

McCall Creek, Miss.,
April 25, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

We are two little twin boys who will be eleven years old the 27th of May. We have two little sisters, named Dowris Lanes 7, and Betty Jo 1 year old. We go to church at Ozion Baptist church. Brother Solie Smith is our pastor. We have a good Sunday School. Our school is out and we live right on the creek. You must come fishing with us.

Your new friends,
Elwin and Melwin Smith.

It isn't often that we have a letter from twins, Elwin and Melwin, and that makes us appreciate yours more than ever. I'd certainly like to accept that invitation to go fishing with you.—F.L.S.

Noxapater, Mississippi,
April 29, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is the first time that I have written since March 14th. My school is out now. It was out April 19th and I passed to the 7th grade, but I wasn't glad for school to be out, because I hate to leave my good teacher, Miss Inis Johnson and Mr. R. H. Clegg. They were very nice teachers to me and everybody else. I don't think that I will ever find any two teachers that I liked better than Miss Inis and Mr. Clegg.

I want to ask a few questions to be answered by the Children's Circle:

1. Why did Job have so much trouble?
2. Where was the death of Moses?
3. Why did Moses never get to enter the Promised Land?
4. Why did Amos have so much trouble?

I still go to church and Sunday School every Sunday I can.

Lots of love,
Bobbie Gean Johnson.

Bobbie Gean, Let's see who will be the first to answer your questions. We are pleased to have them.—F.L.S.

Lumberton, Mississippi,
208 Hinton Ave.,
April 29, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

This is my first time to write. I will try not to make my letter too long. I am eight years old and will be in the fourth grade at school next year. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. I have a brother 18 months old. I am sending ten cents for the orphans.

Love,
Margaret Parker.

Margaret, you didn't wait until Mother's Day to send your offering, and we thank you. You must write often to the Children's Circle.—F.L. S.

SOUTHSIDE B.T.U.

On Friday night, April 26, the Y.P.U. of Southside Baptist church of Jackson enjoyed a Tacky party in the home of Sarah, Josie and Jim Shanahan. There were twenty-two present, enjoying the evening of games and refreshments. Prizes were given the tackiest girl and boy. Mrs. Lula Scott (Sponsor) and Mr. Evans were judged winners. All are looking forward to the next social which will be the results of a contest.

Almeida Lewis—Cor. Sec.

Ellen McKinstry, Blue Mountain who will graduate from Blue Mountain College in June, was awarded the first prize in the short story contest at the Southern Literary Festival which met at the University of Mississippi recently. This award was made by Prof. C. P. Lee, Southwestern, Memphis, and the title of Miss McKinstry's story was "The Joyful Sound."

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Intermediate Sword Drill Contest 1940

District Training Union Conventions

For the purpose of emphasizing in our Intermediate Unions the importance of Bible knowledge, and ability to handle God's Word accurately, we are sponsoring again this June, in the District Training Union Conventions sword drills for Intermediates, 13-15. With the hope that all unions are taking advantage of the Intermediate Leader's Quarterly each quarter. We will use the same drills in the district contest, drawing from the references suggested in the quarterlies for the entire year, July, 1939-June, 1940.

So then, the drills in the Leader's Quarterlies for the last two quarters in 1939 and the first two quarters of 1940 will be used. For the unfinished quotation drill the Intermediates will be expected to know the memory verses in quarterlies for this year, January-June. The verses will be given in part by the leader of the drill and the Intermediates will be expected to find them in the Bible.

Rules for the contest:

1. No indexed Bibles will be allowed in the drill.
2. Bibles must be held flat in one hand with the other hand above it, and all eyes on the leader until the reference has been given and the leader says, "Charge." Five points will be the penalty for failing in this.
3. When the reference is found each contestant should put his finger on the place and step forward one step. After a certain number of minutes the leader will call for someone to read.
4. No pages can be turned after the contestant has stepped forward. There will be a penalty of 5 points for this.
5. There will be a penalty of five points for stepping forward and having the wrong reference.
6. Ten points will be given to the first one who steps forward with the right reference. The second one will get five points. All who step out after that will be given one point. The object of the drill is not simply speed, but knowledge and accuracy. We expect every contestant to be a good sport.

Special sheets with further suggestions are available to all Intermediate Leaders.

We are indebted to Miss Sarah Katherine Holston for a report of the newly organized Union at Spring Hill church, Lebanon Association. They begin with the idea of doing real training union work, using the standard as a guide.

Clarkdale asks for 135 Study Course awards, 29 Juniors, 33 Intermediates, 36 Young People, 37 Adults. Their enrollment for the Training School was 182 in spite of

the bad weather. The School closed with the Keys Quads rendering a program with social following. Miss Tanner, the efficient director, feels that it was a great success in every way.

A Correction About Ridgecrest

In last week's Record one line was left out of the statement about Ridgecrest. The article read that our bus would leave Jackson the afternoon of July 28th. It should have read—The bus will leave Jackson early morning July 19th and will return reaching Jackson the afternoon of July 28th. Make your plans to spend your vacation at this great assembly. We can't tell you about it, you have to experience it!

Hats Off to Duck Hill

Duck Hill, one of our best small towns in Mississippi is proud of their achievements for the Master. A splendid new church building is nearing completion, and Brother and Mrs. C. S. Thomas, pastor and wife, are also rejoicing in the progress the Training Union is making. Mrs. Thomas is the director and reports that even though many thought that a training school could not be successfully conducted during the months of school, they enrolled 82 with 53 taking the examinations. Every one was enthusiastic in his expression of the joy and blessings received. The school closed with a splendid social.

TRIBUTE TO A BEAUTIFUL CHARACTER

Dr. W. W. Hamilton,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

My dear, good Friend:

The news has reached me that she left you last week. I had not expected her departure so soon. I am thinking of you almost every hour, and have come to this quiet place to write you with my own hands.

You know that I sympathize with you with all possible tenderness. And yet, strange as it may seem, I am congratulating you that your walk together has compassed so many years and traversed so many experiences. Well do I remember seeing the happy groom and bride ride down Broadway, in Louisville, past our boarding house,—I being a youngster with a Main Street business house. McGlothlin (W. J. was not yet married. We were sitting out front that May afternoon. He turned to me and said, "Hurt, if I could find a young woman like that I would be willing to venture the sea of matrimony myself."

I remember, also, her quiet smile and her reverent approach to all situations. She had the quiet confidence which is born of faith and feeds daily on Divine promises. I always had the notion that no adverse condition could baffle her long, for she believed in her soul

that God orders everything sooner or later, that "all things work together for the good to them that love the Lord." A man can go through any trial and be brave for any demand with a woman like that for a wife and co-worker.

I remember when your first-born was converted, and Dr. Sampey questioned him in the presence of the deacons and a few others. That ministry of yours at Fourth Avenue very largely shaped my thinking concerning the patsorate. Her presence and her influence was so real in it all, to you first, and then to the rest of us! You have been so many different things; pastor, evangelist, president! She fitted into each with the same ease that a boat fits into the water,—because you and she thought in each case that you had found God's will. A casual acquaintance would have thought that Virginia's going would topple her frail body completely; but no, because life to her was so much more than bodily strength. I wish I could have seen those two greet each other last Sunday.

After all, what can I say to you, dear Friend? There will be lonely hours, of course. But try to thank God for his signal blessings upon you and your family through the far-stretching years. There is much work yet to be done. And then the triumph! It cannot be much further away for you and me. Let us bend all our resources toward faithfulness and perseverance.

God bless you and Wistar! And prosper you in your work! and reward you with fresh assurance of His love.

Affectionately,
John Jeter Hurt,

President of Union University.

S. S. AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE MAY 5th

Jackson, First Church	1103	271
" Calvary Church	1055	121
Jackson, Griffith	800	393
Jackson, Van Winkle	118	49
Jackson, Southside	98	86
Southside, April 28	111	104
Jackson, Parkway	485	
Newton Church	242	
Hattiesburg, Immanuel	175	90
State Line	91	42
Sylvarena (Yalobusha)	59	48
Clarksdale	563	156
Louisville, April 28	234	
West Laurel	656	264
Fellowship (Lorman)	19	
Crystal Springs	378	123
McComb, First	475	93
Meridian, First	575	
Meridian, 15th Ave.	385	
Meridian, 41st Ave.	300	
Meridian, 8th Ave.	232	
Poplar Springs	121	
Meridian, Oak Grove	130	
Louisville, ..	207	

Riverside Church	49	21
Columbus	111	
(Church not given)		
Beaumont	21	
Liberty Hill	114	
Laurel, 2nd Ave.	400	
Fellowship,		

Lorman, April 28	23	17
Eden	27	34
Riverside, April 28	48	39
New Zion, Copiah	73	

April 28—		
Meridian, First	603	
Meridian, 15th Ave.	369	
Meridian, 8th Ave.	227	
Meridian, 41st Ave.	250	
Meridian, Highland	253	
Meridian, Pop. Spgs.	116	
Meridian, Southside	206	
Meridian, Oak Grove	115	
Hattiesburg, Immanuel	147	86
Hattiesburg, Glendale	92	54
Short Creek, Yazoo Co.	44	24
Bay St. Louis, Apr. 28	33	
Bethesda (Oktibbeha)	37	
Eden	30	44
Rienzi	33	
Pelahatchie	61	
Bethlehem, Jones	120	80
Vicksburg, First	611	206
New Albany	476	133
New Zion (Copiah)	78	
Springfield (Morton)	168	
Laurel, 2nd Ave.	544	
Pascagoula	372	150
Pace	91	44
Concord (Franklin)	92	
Baldwyn	174	63
Osborn	64	
Columbus, First	610	180
Bay St. Louis	39	
Picayune	350	65
Brotherhood		88

Note: Please, if possible, get your Sunday school and B. T. U. attendance report in the mail Sunday night. If this is not possible, mail Monday morning.

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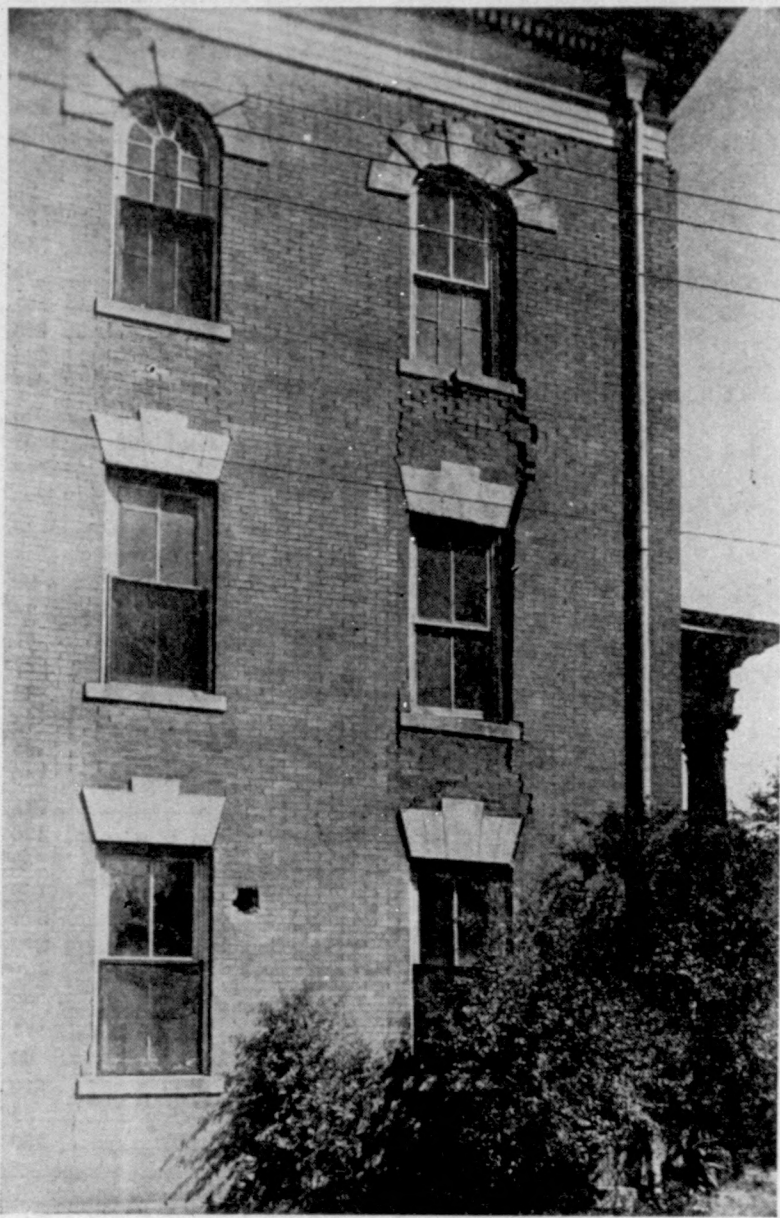
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For catalog write DICE R. ANDERSON, President



The above picture shows one of the dormitories formerly occupied by some 75 or 80 children of the Baptist Orphanage. Note the condition of the walls—the wide open spaces and holes where many bricks and concrete blocks fell to the ground thus endangering the lives of the children. This building with all others was dangerous and unsanitary.

BEWARE OF THESE RUSSELL-LITE BOOK PEDDLERS

Beware of these Russellite book peddlers; do not let them put any of their literature off on you, for it is as poison as a rattlesnake; it is of the devil.

They deny the Deity of Christ; they deny His bodily resurrection; they deny His second coming in person, and say "He has already set up His Kingdom on the earth."

Now, I believe these peddlers are honestly deceived, and really think they are doing God's service in distributing this literature, but that does not help them any.

Saul of Tarsus was honest in believing that he was doing God's service while persecuting the church but his honesty in what he believed did not make him right.

These peddlers should be treated kindly and courteously, but warned of their heresy. One of them called on me yesterday, and when I told him I was not interested in his literature he wanted to know why, and that gave me an opening, and what I told him—in a nice and courteous way—may not help him but it will be a witness against him at the judgement, for I preached the gospel to him. He tried to argue with me for a while but it soon got too warm for him and he had business some where else.

No man is saved—it makes no difference how honest he is in his belief—that denies the Deity and bodily resurrection of our Lord. Why? Because if He was not God, then His blood would have no more power to redeem than the blood of any other man.

If He did not come out of the tomb in flesh and bones, then we have no hope of the resurrection of our own bodies.

Therefore, those who have such a conception of Him, do not believe in the Christ of the Bible and therefore they do not believe in Christ at all. And those who do not believe in Christ are yet in their sins, lost, and condemned. Watch the book agents; and when they come to you with the "Watch Tower" literature shun it, for it is of Satan.

J. E. Heath,
Winona, Miss.

PREACHING AND SINGING

Since the pastors conference at Clinton I conducted two campaigns with the 'Connecticut Yankees' at Meridian and Bristol, Conn. Both Clinton I conducted two campaigns next year. These are the only churches in their towns having a Sunday night service. Meridian is the silver city, noted for 1847 Rogers Silver; and Bristol for Ingram watches and Seth Thomas clocks.

This was my first experience in Connecticut.

In the above mentioned campaigns I was the preacher. Have just closed a campaign at Charleston, Rev. E. H. McElroy, pastor as singer with Rev. A. B. Wood, Th. D., of Forest doing the preaching. We had over 200 young people enrolled for a booster service each day after school. There were 34 additions to the church, 26 for baptism.

Have been invited to sing in a campaign at the Broadway church of Memphis, April 28 through May 12, 1940. Rev. Roy O. Arbuckle pastor. Dr. John D. Freeman, D.D. will do the preaching.

Any pastor wishing me for revival meetings this summer can reach me at my home address, Owensboro, Ky.

Harry Beckman

BANKSTON APPROVES THE EVERY FAMILY PLAN

The Baptist Record is the representative of a great family. This family needs every good influence and helpful agency to develop the members into active intelligent, enlightened and broad-minded Christians. The Baptist Record offers pages of good matter, written by true, fraternal spirit. The paper is clean and elevating in content and brings news of the Baptist work at home and abroad. It is a medium of communication between Baptist workers of the state, and stands for the New Testament doctrines and principles as held by Baptists. The Baptist Record should have the sympathy, support and cooperation of every Baptist. Rose Hill and Zion in Smith County have the E. F. Plan

and the pastor believes it is a great help in this work.

R. O. Bankston.

SPEAK NO ILL

Other people have their faults, and so have we as well, Not all we chance to see and have. Have we a right to tell. Should you like this picking flaws? You'd better go I ween, And read the Book that tells of sin. All about the mote and beam. If you can't speak some word of praise That's good, Oh, do not speak ill.

At all, For there is grief and sorrow Enough on this terrestrial ball. Mrs. Frank Rhodes, Iuka, Miss.

DO YOU LIKE MUSIC?

Funny question isn't it? For everyone likes good music. We are planning for the best musical program we have had in any of our District Conventions this year. In addition to the regular congregational singing, we will have an ensemble made up of piano, xylophone, and trombone—Just one of the outstanding features of these District Conventions. We invite every pastor along with every church member to make us prove to them personally that these conventions are most worth while. Come test them for yourself. A missionary to give first hand information of the mission work, Training Union, Denominational leaders that will make a pause and take stock of our spiritual life, fine Christian fellowship the kind we need to be promoting in every church. Make your plans to come with us.

Eyes WITHOUT BIRTHDAYS



SPARKLING, happy carefree eyes aren't a matter of birthdays . . . many a youngster just starting the battle of life is already handicapped by defective vision, while many an oldster is free of eyestrain . . . through the aid of plenty of glareless light for easy, comfortable seeing. You, too, may have eyes without birthdays . . . if you have your eyes examined regularly, and begin to Light Condition your home.

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FIRST CHURCH, LAUREL

The First Baptist Church, Laurel, has been marvelously blessed of the Lord during the past three months of our Church Loyalty Campaign. Great crowds have been in attendance regularly on both services each Sunday, necessitating the use of the auxiliary auditorium most of the time. The night services have been, and are being, broadcast to thousands of shut-ins and others who refuse to come to the Lord's House. There has been a real spiritual awakening and renewed interest among the members, which has been responsible, to a large extent, for the ninety-one additions to the church during the thirteen Sundays. The last financial report, for March, showed the voluntary weekly contributions running far, far above the amount called for by the budget. The bonded indebtedness on the church has been reduced since the first of the year from over \$12,000. to \$10,850, and this will be reduced another thousand dollars in May. During May and June our young people are taking the lead in enlisting every family in the church for Christ. Their willingness, enthusiasm, and interest bodes well for the cause of Our Master in Laurel. Our beloved pastor, and "daddy" of this entire city and county, Dr. L. G. Gates, has been making the devil very dissatisfied with things around here, for thirty-five years, and his passion for souls and the right grows stronger each day. Mrs. Scholfield and her husband are delighted beyond expression to be residents of this wonderful old state with its matchless folks, just plain folks!

"Now thank we all Our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In Whom His world rejoices!"

Fred G. Scholfield.

EAST CENTRAL JUNIOR COLLEGE

Almost 250 members of the newly organized B.S.U. Chapter of East Central Junior College enjoyed an outdoor social Friday evening, April 25. The enthusiastic crowd, under the able leadership of Rev. Charles B. Hamlet and Mrs. Janie Sullivan, gathered in the beautiful school park, where they played games of various kinds and were served refreshments.

The following officers were elected: President, Sarah Sturgeon; first vice-president, Herd Stone; second vice-president, Lamar Triplett; third vice-president, Frances Brooks; secretary, Frances Thomas; treasurer, Telly Rae Weaver; pianist, Viola Sturgeon; chorister, Laverne Thames; and reporter, Odis Townsend.

The B.S.U. is a popular religious organization that serves as a connecting link between the church and the school. Great interest is being manifested in its work, and every effort possible is going to be put forth in order to attain its goal of making Christ and Christianity more collegiate.

"Why is the hour-glass small in the middle?"

"To show the waste of time"



REV. F. V. McFATRIDGE

Brother McFATRIDGE has been called to the church at Plantersville, and begins his work there May 1st. He will move on the field as soon as the parsonage is finished. He has been pastor at Eufala, Oklahoma, also at Westmoreland church in Dallas and at Arp, Texas. He was also president of Nuyaka Academy in Oklahoma. He served as rural church Secretary for Texas Baptists. He was graduated from Howard Payne College and from the Southwestern Seminary. He is the author of a fine book on Evangelism, entitled "Personal Evangelism of Jesus." His wife was Miss Jewel Grimes of Forest, and is a graduate of the W.M.U. Training School. We are glad to have him enrolled among Mississippi pastors.

OUR SORROWING FRIENDS

Perhaps many of our Christian friends throughout our native state would be concerned to know of our recent sorrow in the loss of our baby, Roland Sheppard, who was born April 18 at the Tylertown, Miss., Hospital, and who passed away April 26, while returning from New Orleans where he had been hurriedly carried to specialists that day in a vain effort to save his life. The diagnosis was a rare heart ailment that would sooner or later prove fatal, and we were advised to return him to his mother, since there was no treatment possible.

Truly God has been wonderful to us in this experience which in His infinite wisdom and love he has allowed to come into our lives. Friends too, have been kind and ever so thoughtful. We are deeply grateful for every thoughtfulness on the part of our friends, but most of all for the Grace of our Father, which we have found to be sufficient in our time of great need.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially yours,

Wm. Lowrey Compere.

BENOIT

Last Sunday Benoit Baptist Church had seven additions to the church. This little church has grown from a membership of about twenty, until we now have seventy-three. Gleaning for the Lord is a happy work. We have a Beautiful new

MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN COLLEGE B. S. U.

The B.S.U. council officers for M.S.C. for the session 1940-41 were elected Wednesday night, April 17. They are as follows:

President, Mary Maude Thetford, Union Church, Mississippi.

First Vice-President, William Leggett, Laurel, Mississippi.

Second Vice-President, Dixie Sandifer, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Third Vice-President, Lodena Waggoner, Hillsboro, Mississippi.

Secretary, Christine Husband, Forest, Mississippi.

Treasurer, Dorsey Trevelion, Wilkinson, Mississippi.

B.Y.P.U., Grace Powell, Mt. Olive, Mississippi.

Assistant B.Y.P.U., Roy Phillips, Louin, Mississippi.

President Life Service Band, Marjorie Frith, Magnolia, Mississippi.

President Y.W.A., Katie Ruth Moak, Bogue Chitto, Mississippi.

Reporter, Anna Kate Rollin, Meridian, Mississippi.

Magazine Rep., Christine Riser, Forest, Mississippi.

Volunteer Bible Class, L. B. Simmons, Louin, Mississippi. For the summer quarter, Josephine Lumpkin, for 1940-41, Poplarville, Mississippi.

Pianist, Maxine King, Canton, Mississippi.

Ministerial League, Joe Stroud, Taylorsville, Mississippi.

Sunday School Representatives to be elected next fall.

FIFTH AVENUE BAPTIST,
FIRST BAPTIST,
MAIN STREET BAPTIST,
THIRTY-EIGHT AVE. BAPTIST.
Anna Kate Rollin, Reporter.

PACE

On Friday night, April 26th, we closed our training union Study Course. From the very beginning it was a wonderful success. Attendance ranged from fifty-eight to seventy-three; and enthusiasm was at a high level throughout the five evening course.

We had as our teachers, Rev. E. D. Estes from the State Board, Mrs. Greenoe of Vicksburg, Mrs. W. B. Alexander of Boyle, and Rev. J. W. Sturdivant, pastor at Merigold, all of whom rendered a splendid Service.

We have a great union here at Pace, A Small Church, but a loyal band of workers. We have all four grades, plus the Story hour. We are blessed with a group of very capable and Enthusiastic teachers, also a splendid Director, and all other necessary officers. The union is making a fine contribution to the church work; not the least of which is a substantial increase in attendance at the preaching hour; Particularly at the Evening Hour. Every phase of the Church life is moving forward happily. "Thanks be to God Who giveth us the victory Through Jesus Christ our Lord."

E. G. Evans, Pastor.

Brick Veneered eight room church here. And the Lord is adding to the church al along, those who are led to trust Him. To Him be the Glory.

E. G. Evans, pastor.

PACE

We have just closed a B.T.U. study course. There were 75 enrolled in the classes with an average attendance of 61 each evening. 68 took the examinations and other will complete the examinations later. A rising tide of enthusiasm was manifest and was felt throughout the whole church. Mrs. J. C. Greenoe of Vicksburg lead the Junior Union teaching "The Junior and His Church." Rev. J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold was in charge of the Intermediate Union and taught "The Meaning of Church Membership." Mrs. W. B. Alexander of Boyle lead the Young People's Union teaching "Training in Church Membership." Rev. Ellis Estes of Jackson taught the Adult group "Building a Christian Home."

The deacons of the church were honored by the B. T. U. in a special feature program the closing service. The pastor and deacons were seated on the platform while Rev. J. W. Sturdivant made an address on "Honoring The Deaconship."

The Junior Union has grown so much that it has been divided—thus forming two Junior Unions.

Our B.T.U. was organized July 9, 1939 and has steadily progressed under the efficient leadership of the director, Mrs. A. L. Symonds.

Things are surely looking up for us "Up Pace Way."

Mrs. W. S. Redden, B.T.U. Reporter.

SUNDAY RADIO

Beginning Sunday, May 5th. at 8:00 a. m. Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, Louisiana will be heard each Sunday over Radio Station WSMB (1320 Kilocycles). The program, which will be known as "The Gospel Hour," is being arranged for by a group of Christian business men in New Orleans and Dr. Grey is to be its Minister.

This program succeeds the one which has been presented by Mr. J. Herrick Hall each Sunday morning for four years. Mr. Hall has resigned as Choir Director of First Church, New Orleans, to become Associate Pastor of the Fifth Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.

Constipation Relief That Also Pepsin-izes Stomach

When constipation brings on acid indigestion, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, sour taste, and bad breath, your stomach is probably loaded up with certain undigested food and your bowels don't move. So you need both Pepsin to help break up fast that rich undigested food in your stomach, and Laxative Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels. So be sure your laxative also contains Pepsin. Take Dr. Caldwell's Laxative, because its Syrup Pepsin helps you gain that wonderful stomach comfort, while the Laxative Senna moves your bowels. Tests prove the power of Pepsin to dissolve those lumps of undigested protein food which may linger in your stomach, to cause belching, gastric acidity and nausea. This is how pepsinizing your stomach helps relieve it of such distress. At the same time this medicine wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your bowels to relieve your constipation. So see how much better you feel by taking the laxative that also puts Pepsin to work on that stomach discomfort, too. Even finicky children love to taste this pleasant family laxative. Buy Dr. Caldwell's Laxative—Senna with Syrup Pepsin at your druggist today!



MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS' MACEDONIAN CALL

Read Acts 16. "There stood a man of Macedonia—saying, 'Come over into Macedonia and help us'."

"Assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them."

"Moorhead, Mississippi, April 22, 1940 — To Home Missionaries."

Why does not some one send a missionary to the share croppers out north of Moorhead, in fact in many places in the delta? If we get real hungry, Uncle Sam helps us out, but we never go to church. Our children would not know how to act in a Sunday school. We are not able to pay a preacher to come out here. We have no church house. While you are busy with far places, why not go out in the highways and cotton patches and compel them to come into the fold, like the Bible says go. It does not say for sinners to go, but for you to go and preach the gospel.

Of course the town people would gladly let us go to their church, but we can't get there. We have no way to go. It is too far for the women and children to walk. We can't 'pay' but why don't you do something? We never hear a sermon or a song or prayer.

It is up to you to do something. Please act."

Will Mississippi Baptists take the gospel to these people?

Several hundred Chinese in the Mississippi delta echo the cry "Come over and help us." We recently met some of them.

Two thousand Indians in East Mississippi constantly send calls into your State Mission office, "Come over and help us."

Thousands of Negroes in Mississippi need the gospel as badly as those found elsewhere.

Hundreds of families are being grouped in great homestead areas. They need the gospel ministry.

Mississippi Baptists need to plan to respond to their pleading for gospel services.

Almost daily calls come to this State office for either pastoral help or building aid.

If we are to largely take Mississippi for Christ we must major on the great Scriptural practices—preaching—teaching—healing—See Matt. 4 (v. 23). Also, Matt. 9:35-38. Then, Luke 4:14-22.

If we are to largely take Mississippi for Christ we will not major on minor notes.

If we are to largely take Mississippi for Christ, we must—Worship—Serve—Give.

"Come over and help us" they cry at our very doors.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

Get the Truth

"From over hill and plain There comes the signal strain,

'Tis loyalty, loyalty, loyalty to Christ;
Its music rolls along, The hills take up the song,
Of loyalty, loyalty, Yes, loyalty to Christ.

"On to victory! On to victory!"

Cries our great Commander; "On!"

We'll move at His command, We'll soon possess the land,

Thro' loyalty, loyalty, Yes, loyalty to Christ."

Mississippi Baptists certainly wrote a story in love for, and loyalty to Christ, the month of April.

Here it is:

RECEIPTS FOR APRIL 1940

Cooperative Program	\$ 14,144.19
Designated	13,464.17
Five Thousand Club	3,731.68
Total.....	\$ 31,340.04

OVERHEAD AND PROMOTIONAL COSTS

(Rent, printing, office help, materials, field work, preaching the gospel, teaching the Bible, etc.)	
Convention Board Office	\$ 1,459.52
Five Thousand Club	1,013.42
W. M. U. Department	738.37
Total.....	\$ 3,454.05
Loss on Baptist Record for April.....	243.74
Total.....	\$ 3,454.05

This leaves \$27,885.99 for distribution to all Causes!

DISTRIBUTION, COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention	\$ 4,277.05
State Missions	2,673.16
Christian Education	2,673.16
Baptist Orphanage	641.56
Ministerial Education	320.78
Miss. Baptist Hospital	106.93
Total.....	\$ 10,692.64

DISTRIBUTION OF DESIGNATED

Home Missions	\$ 6,507.84
Home and Foreign Mission Special	1,974.17
Foreign Missions	342.47
W. M. U. Specials	361.20
Training School Building	209.64
Hundred Thousand Club	682.21
Relief and Annuity, Fellowship	101.66
Relief and Annuity, Retirement	6.00
Margaret Fund	1.10
State Missions	507.31
Orphanage, Specials	210.47
Orphanage, Building Fund	142.79
Convention Pledge, one-day salaries	16.50
Convention Pledges, Woman's Col. Expense..	152.50
Miss. Woman's College Endowment	43.75
Anti-Saloon	14.30
Miscellaneous	369.39
Baptist Record	1,820.87
Total.....	\$ 13,464.17

The Cooperative Program does not sufficiently support any agency. Therefore, designations. We still believe the Cooperative Program to be our best way out. Progressive pastors realize the value of a local church

budget. The Cooperative Program is the denominational budget. We will always have designations but the Cooperative Program undergirds the whole.

CONVENTION BOARD EXPENSE

Salaries	\$ 931.66
Traveling Expense	32.27
Office Rent	60.00
Postage	140.54
Telephone and tolls	12.30
Office supplies	4.80
5,000 clasp envelopes	45.50
Advertising in Baptist Record	200.00
Insurance on Furniture	7.97
Up-keep on adding machine (6 months)	7.30
Express on tracts	5.38
Miscellaneous	12.00
Total.....	\$ 1,459.52

W. M. U. EXPENSE

Miscellaneous	\$ 4.00
Salaries	365.00
Traveling Expense	77.83
Office Rent	20.00
Postage	21.60
Telephone and Tolls	11.39
Office Supplies	20.44
6,000 Clasp Envelopes	66.30
W. M. U. Convention Expense	64.34
Insurance on car	29.50
Y. W. A. Camp Expense	22.52
Printing:	
900 Convention Programs	30.00
1000 Registration Cards	4.35
Total.....	\$ 738.37

5,000 CLUB EXPENSE

Salaries	\$ 562.50
Traveling Expense	368.93
E. C. Farr, moving expense	50.00
Miscellaneous	31.99
Total.....	\$ 1,013.42

Mississippi Baptists will have to help us go forward in every department. Right now we need special help with the 5,000 Club. No, we are not satisfied.

PERCENTAGE OF PROMOTIONAL COSTS

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Mississippi Baptists may help reduce the percentage here by increasing gifts. Please remember what you send in bears largely on this matter.

"O hear, ye brave, the sound That moves the earth around,

'Tis loyalty, loyalty, loyalty to Christ;
Arise to dare and do, Ring out the watchword true,
Of loyalty, loyalty, Yes, loyalty to Christ.

"On to victory, On to victory!" Cries our great Commander; "On!"

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